

APPENDIX 3

Archery antelope input opportunity comments

ID	Comments
1	Something needs to be done to help reestablish antelope populations on the national grasslands.
2	Antelope are generally down state wide. This leads to limited opportunity for resident hunters to draw a license either firearm or archery. I needed three preference points to draw this year where I used to draw nearly every year. Archery hunters are much more successful than they used to be in harvesting an animal. I really believe that any restrictions on big game licenses should start with a reduction in non-residence hunters. Non-residence hunters should be reduced first always before residence hunters on big game licenses.
3	Increase the price for nonresident archery antelope tags and implement a draw/cap for nonresidents.
4	Make nonresident a limited draw
5	I'm 77. Archery hunted antelope in SD from '71 thru appx. 2012. Age has now slowed me down. Initially observed very slow increase in hunter #'s. Last 10 yrs # has skyrocketed. My observation is currently way too many both residents & nr's for a pleasant not competitive hunt. I believe similar to rifle season, archery tags should be allocated by a certain # per county. Harvest will continue to increase, primarily due to advancement in equipment, and also hunting techniques, amount of field time, and increasing #'s of hunters. Increased harvest will require more focused management, especially in SD's 3 NW counties.
6	With the significantly reduced antelope numbers, I feel it should be a resident only hunting privilege.
7	Public land is over run with archery antelope hunters from opening till rifle then the sea of orange takes over... the animals are not give a break for 2 months and most are settled on private land and not leaving it ... need to limit the number just like rifle hunting, certain number per county for archery as well
8	let us get a doe tag along with a buck tag. (Like deer0
9	In my opinion, the resident hunters will treat it as a quick trip for a couple days and a great experience. In my opinion, the nonresident hunters stay for a much longer duration on public land, probably chase the antelope off public land via much more pressure. In my observations, the resident hunters are much more likely to back off if conditions are not right and try it another time or leave the envelope for someone else to try, the non-residents often charge in and run the antelope off. Once the antelope are run off, this forces more hunters into a smaller area and probably leads to complaints that you hear about. In my opinion, the non-resident tags should be restricted to a limited draw with some thing like 100 or 200 tags for state wide And then you can offer unlimited private land only non-resident tags. In my opinion this would fix 95% of all the issues that I have encountered. This solution would also sync with how firearms licenses are sold, with non-residents getting about 10% of the tags.
10	I think archery hunting should be limited by county and by a draw just like rifle but you cannot have both its one or the other. There are too few Antelope in the state to allow unlimited archery tags the herd cannot sustain this. We also need to raise the out of state license fee as well.
11	limited draw in some units
12	If there is too many hunters than I think that we should limit the amount of non-resident tags instead of changing the resident. Not sure if non-resident is a draw but should be limited like the resident rifle tags. Thanks for the consideration
13	Archery tag numbers are good and not that many archers harvest an animal. It seems as the numbers of animals are going up, and on the down years just fewer to hunt. Remember it is the hunt that is important and not the kill. People just sometimes need the experience and friendship the field hunt brings.
14	i did not archery hunt antelope ever.. the people in sd stay here for variety of reasons.alot stay here for the hunting and fishing. please don't mess it up with adding a bunch of out of state tags. its not fair to the residents

15	Limit the nonresident hunter I see way to many of them out hunting there isn't that many antelope around so you spend a lot of time driving and looking most of the time a nonresident is sitting on the spot you want to hunt.
16	Preference should be given to Resident hunters, selecting a certain region. \Nonresident tags should be reduced and cost should increase. \All other western big game states provide for Resident preference and strive to keep their costs down, which is the way SD should manage and balance Resident satisfaction and overall revenues.
17	Why restrict archery antelope hunting during gun season..especially on private land.. the land owner knows and controls who is there.. Deer archery is wide open! Please give me a call #####
18	archery antelope should no longer be unlimited. It should switch to limited draw for specific units just like the rifle season
19	What is your phone number to call to talk to someone about the license application system? Call me at #####
20	By creating units, you would have a better idea were hunters are concentrating. I would not be in favor of restricting the licenses for each unit and starting a lottery, just use it as a tool for information.
21	close all antelope seasons until they come back
22	Leave the current system in place
23	maybe just in state Archery hunters till antelope numbers come back , out of state hunters should draw stay in certain units with less tags
24	Make the licensing for antelope a limited draw so you can regulate how many animals are being harvested. That way you can adjust the tags according to the population. Plus allow 1 antelope tag, whether its archery or rifle.
25	I have been hunting Antelope in South Dakota for 25 Years. In my opinion there has been too many antelope liscenses issued both firearms and Archery for the antelope population since probably 2006. 1995 to 2006 the ranch we hunt on (9000 Acres) had over 100 animals. Since 2006 we are lucky if there are a dozen and it is getting worse not better.
26	Limit nonresident archery antelope hunters to 750 tags and increase the price of the tag the \$500!
27	We need to rebuild our antelope herd in South Dakota even if it means having to draw for tags like rifle
28	Leave to the residents only
29	Charge more for out of state tags. It's really, really simple. If you charge what other states charge or more the number of tags will level themselves automatically. Call me I can explain. #####. \Our public lands get beat to death all year mostly by out of state hunters. The outfitters won't feel it either, those guys who pay \$15, 000 for an antelope hunt won't blink at a \$1500 tag. \The only wrong answer here is to continue down the same path we are on. *Also, we need to look at the crossbow thing..its getting out of hand. Need to.limit those tags for sure. People who have never bow hunted all of the sudden are using crossbows and easily reaching out to 100 yds, with zero archery skills..unlimited tags should not be given to the crossbow guys. The unlimited licenses was for 40 lb recurve bows 50 years ago. It's a whole different game now.its a problem for the sport. Not against crossbow use, but they should only be used during rifle season or have limited tags somehow. Most Dr's will sign those slips and hand them out like candy. \Maybe only allow their use like muzzle loaders or something.
30	Close this season to nonresidents. And then leave it alone
31	The non resident archery hunters have ruined hunting in harding county. The pressure needs to be limited there.
32	Don't feel like hunting rules have to be changed every month!!!! Stop changing the laws! Stop putting new restrictions on me and my hunts!
33	Antelope are in such bad shape that i have opted not to apply for tags the last 2 years on the 40k acres of private land I hunt. The last thing the herd needs is unlimited tags for everyone even if archery is a lower success rate. Most archery hunters will kill whatever they can get close to simply because it hard to get close

34	Keep buck only for archery season.
35	Archery hunters already have too many preferences in license availability and seasons. They already start too early and have many choices firearm hunters do not. I know the success rate is relatively low but just their presence in the field whether they kill an antelope or not, has made antelope harder to hunt and landowners frustrated when the firearms season comes. Too much traffic especially in a dry year.
36	Limit non-residents first.
37	Archery antelope licenses should be allocated the same as rifle antelope licenses by county and nonresident licenses should be limited by density of animals per county. Nonresidents should be limited to private ground.
38	Numbers are low lay off them for awhile let them come back found four dead goats last year with arrows sticking in them
39	Antelope population is terrible Limit tags
40	Determine cap of resident, state-wide archery licenses, place a percentage equal to the firearms season that non-residence are allowed to purchase.
41	In a nut shell "Drastically limit the number of Non-Resident archery antelope hunters"! Non-resident hunters come here and spend a week or so here are are focused on harvesting an antelope. Their success % must be higher that residents and have a greater impact on the antelope population. Residents should have a substantial higher priority than non-residents when it comes to drawing a license.
42	Require non-resident to provide name and number of land owner with whom he is hunting to enable him to aquire a guaranteed draw, otherwise\ apply for a specific area in a draw..
43	The new Gfp website is terrible.
44	This has less to do with number of hunters and more to do with miss management of game. You have over sold antelope tags for years and have decimated the population.
45	I hunted more public in the past but not as much as of late. Didn't have any real issues with too much pressure then. Have hunted more private as of late. Much of this depends on harvest success and current pressure. Could consider unlimited tags for private land only and limited for public land (statewide or unit specific).
46	I don't archery antelope hunt anymore so I don't really have strong opinions, although when I did hunt I enjoyed the current regulations.
47	Our antelope populations have decreased substantially over the last many years. Archery equipment today is so advanced and specialized shooting out to 100 yards and lethally taking an animal is very achievable. This needs to be taken into consideration.
48	Limited entry draw for resident and non-resident antelope draws.
49	State probably needs to have a limited draw until numbers recover.
50	There are more nonresident archery antelope hunters on public land than residents where I hunt\Need to limit nonresident archery antelope tags
51	Non residents should have a lottery system. Where they may average 1 tag every 3 years.\Residents should get preferential treatment when it comes to managing out states wildlife.
52	Limit residents to 1000 and nonresidents to 500.
53	Why are all other tags limited for non residents except archery, South Dakota is one of only a few states that allow unlimited non resident hunters. South Dakota has become a destination for non resident hunters much to the detriment of the residents that live here. It's time to take a hard look at limiting non resident hunters impact on our lands and resources.
54	Consider implementing a limited draw or "quota" for non-resident archery antelope. There has been increasing non-resident pressure on publicly accessible lands over the past years.

55	Would be nice to have units, that way if one area gets hit hard with winter kill the tags numbers can be adjusted accordingly. Keep pressure off one certain area, spread the hunters out. \\Could also have the limited access draw areas inside the units to help even more.
56	i think antelope numbers are so few the seasons should be stopped or more limited till numbers rebound
57	Restrict nonresident archery antelope tags more. Also there is a major problem with way too many rifle antelope tags given out for Fall River county. The south western part of Fall River county during rifle antelope season is literally like a war zone with people chasing antelope all over the place. 15 years ago the quality in size of buck antelope in this area was great but now it is so over hunted they donâ€™t have a chance to hardly make it 2 years.
58	Leave it as is
59	NEVER archery hunted Antelope
60	Way too high numbers of NR. I feel you should cap the number at 100-200. It should not exceed the current allotment of NR tags vs resident tags in the firearms draws. I think that is 10%.
61	Far too many non-resident antelope hunters on public lands.
62	The way that things are set up at this time is working just fine. Please leave it as it is.
63	Stop giving out so many non-residents licenses this state will soon have more of them hunting everything just like pheasants than residents. If itâ€™s all about revenue raise our resident fees instead. We all know the non-resident is now buying up our good hunting ground so they can get easier access to licenses. Please use better judgment as we are at a critical point in time of our resident population saying âœœm done with hunting/fishing âœœ canâ€™t find a place to hunt as non-residents have it all leased up
64	Too many tags. Too little animals. Needs correcting.
65	way too many out of state hunters. Around Harding co there is not a goat that has not been chased by some one. Too many out of stators with cross bows also
66	Was just out to Fall River and there is no antelope on public, where in the ##### due think there is 4 hundred rifle tags for buck only
67	I know we should welcome out of state antelope hunters but lets take care of he in state hunters first. I may be a win win situation if all archery hunters had to go thru a license draw or lottery system like the rifle hunters. Less hunters and more game.
68	South Dakota allows way to many out of state hunters and they are getting by way to cheap. South Dakota needs to increase the cost of all out of state big game tags. Where else in antelope and mule deer country can a person go hunt both species at the same time as cheap as South Dakota??? Quit giving away our mule deer and antelope resources away for nothing!!!!
69	Way too many archery antelope hunters on SD public property. The quality hunt disappeared many years ago. The pattern now is to shoot at whatever you see or you won't get another chance!
70	My Name is #####. I own and operate ##### . We have been #####. This survey is WAY to basic. I would love to talk to someone in detail and in charge on this subject (Mule Deer is another important subject) . I service and talk to fellow bowhunters across the state daily. Bottom line is, numbers of antelope are drastically DOWN. Numbers of nonresidents Drastically UP !! The amount of complaints from our resident bowhunters at my shop are INSANE. I try to get them to call and voice there opinion, but very few take the time. The amount of non-resident hunters that come into my shop for deer and antelope are at an all time HIGH. You CANNOT have an unlimited tag for a limited resource. Very easy solution. Animals first, Residents second, Non-Residents last. If its about money, Double the price and cut tags in half. GFP get there money and we get our animals back !! \\Thank you for your time.\\#####

71	The animals on public land experience almost constant archery hunting pressure throughout the season. This in addition be able to draw a tag every year when rifle hunters typically have to wait 2-5 years in more popular units is not fair. The animals also become sensitive to this intensive hunting pressure and has the changed the quality of the antelope hunting experience in South Dakota. I would set resident and nonresident archery antelope quotas in areas using a draw system. If changes are not made to the archery tag allocation system my young daughters and I are likely done hunting antelope in SD. Signed South Dakota Resident Hunter
72	na
73	There is a low fill ratio on archery and should stay the same
74	Counties in the northwest part of the state have the habitat that most of the antelope population lives in. Those counties should have limited draw archery tags for antelope.
75	Nonresident tags should be a draw!
76	Create a draw system for non-resident and limit licenses to 200 or 10% of resident licenses sold over last 2 year average.
77	Need to cap non resident archery tags to no more than 15% of resident tags issued the previous year.
78	Keep it as itâ€™s now.
79	The land I hunt which is public and private is perfect with residents however Non-Residents have over run. Partially due to groups of hunters along with film crews
80	There are to many antelope hunters, both resident and nonresident. There is slso to much hunting pressure on the antelope due to the greater number of hunters, especially on public land. I feel this should become a limited draw not a unlimited tag as we do not have unlimited resources in the antelope. This is also becoming an issue with archery deer hunting in western part of state.
81	I like the idea of regional tags. In NW SD there are way more antelope than in other areas. So if there is a large number increase the tags. In the lower populated areas keep the tag numbers down. I mostly want residents to have first choice and non residents limited just like rifle. I do think we are experiencing a fad since covid and the numbers will eventually go down.
82	I know and understand that non-residents provide economic boosts to communities (albeit small) but I have always felt that non residents for any archery license should have to draw them by lottery and then the number of nonresident tags be reduced. Either that or no nonresident tags issued. In my opinion, you have to keep residents happy and taken care of first.
83	none
84	It seems to me that you are suggesting that we are heading toward having too many archery antelope hunters. I have not had any issues at all with other antelope hunters, but that may be because I am hunting on private land. I would suggest that if it becomes necessary to cut the number of archery antelope permits, then in that case I feel the number of permits to nonresidents should be limited. Thank-you.
85	Antelope population is way down thank you for the new regulations on the does this year hopefully we will see a comeback in a few years and make antelope hunting great in south dakota again. I see more non resident archery hunting than residents. If you have to regulate something regulate the nonresidents and cut doe tags please allow the residents to keep hunting statewide on one any tag please
86	I don't know if the number of hunters is directly responsible or not but it sure seems like there's not very many antelope, at least in the Fall River unit.
87	Since hunting has been so widely comersialised \It's difficult for resident hunters to find a place to hunt. Limit nonresident hunters to private only.\I am limited on funds so do not pay for hunting. \Big money runs our hunting seasons, or politics are involved. \I am a hunter who loves bow hunting \Thanks for listening. \#####

88	I have hunted in Butte county for the past 2 decades. I have noticed the number of antelope on public land steadily decline. Along with increases in archery hunters, I still have to believe that unlimited youth tags in South Dakota have had a negative impact on our public land animal populations to include both deer and antelope. I would suggest youth/mentor tags be sold for private land only. I started hunting at the age of 12, with the rest of the "men", and it was seen as a right of passage. If nothing is done, we will continue to see a decline of animal numbers on our public lands.
89	Leave things alone, pretty soon a resident won't be able to hunt at all
90	Limit out of state tags to 400 total by drawing only. Increase fee to \$500. Reduces overcrowded public lands a bit and aligns tag fees closer to other states.
91	If our antelope herd is down there should be no nonresident tags period
92	This topic needs to be revisited if the increase in licenses continues.
93	Way too many non resident hunters. If they can find private property to hunt it's fine with that but the public land is way too crowded with residents and non residents.
94	Can't seem to draw a tag so have to go out of my home state to hunt not very happy with that
95	None
96	Antelope numbers have plummeted the past 10 years. I mostly hunt fall river county and it's the worst I have ever seen. I can ride 20 miles of grasslands and barely see an animal. Starting the youth doe seasons with no age limit has really caused the biggest issue. Instead of getting rid of archery tags, limit youth tags to 10 year olds and older on just private land
97	Charge more for nonresident, limit the number of available licenses.
98	Limit the number of non resident licenses with lottery drawing and limited tags
99	We are an accessible state for nonresidents. There are some things and some tags that just need to stay that way. I have no love for the nonresident hunters I encounter but they need a place to hunt and we like the money.
100	Issuing unlimited tags has to stop. Please make this a limited draw and slow down the increased hunting pressure. Limit the number of resident and non resident hunters. Please do something to conserve our resource.
101	Prefer the any antelope tag to the buck only that was available this year. I understand it might not be indicative of the entire antelope unit but numbers are relatively strong where I hunt and the landowner encourages us to harvest some does.
102	I think that everything should be left as is except fewer non-residents. If we are supposedly overcrowded then eliminate some of the pressure from the people who don't live here and support our wildlife and traditions!! I suppose that the revenue you make from out of states makes this a hard pill to swallow as it seems it is more about money than managing the wildlife
103	If the antelope herd is down in nearly all areas, why are there unlimited non-resident archery licenses? How does the cost of a NR license in SD compare to other western states? SD should be at or above those states. The residents of SD should have priority to harvest the state's resources over any non-resident.
104	If any change is needed it would be to limit the number of nonresident tags. The number of resident hunters is not an issue. Not many residents do I see. Thank you
105	The number of Antelope is down the number of hunters have risen. Not enough Antelope to go a round.

106	I hunt Harding Co most years for archery antelope due to the number of antelope and access to public land. The number of NR hunters is getting out of hand. Just like mule deer, SD is the most eastern state with access to antelope hunting and the licenses are unlimited so of course NR will make this a stop on their way somewhere else or their destination. The increase in social media attention has also increased which I believe is a major cause for the 3X+ increase in NR numbers over the last 10 years. NR archery deer, NR archery antelope, and NR BH turkey should be capped at 8% of the resident tag sales. With the recent decline in antelope numbers, the NR archery antelope harvest will most likely impact the resident rifle antelope tag allocation. I have friends from ND that come to Harding Co every year because they can't get an antelope license in ND. They would prefer to hunt less often if it means a more quality hunting experience. SD has become an amusement park for NR archery hunters which has degraded the resident public land hunting experience. Resident hunters live and pay taxes in SD year round and should be rewarded with a quality (relatively speaking) archery hunting experience.
107	Please make the archery antelope season a draw season with limited tags. I have been archery antelope hunting for years. When I first started in about 2004 hunting pressure was almost none existent and heard numbers were very high. I have watched as heard numbers have come back down, success rate and hunting pressure has gone way up. I still enjoy the hunt and experience but quality of the hunt has been greatly reduced by the amount of pressure on the land and resource. I would be ecstatic if the tags were dropped, even if that means only being able to hunt every couple of years. (I am a resident of South Dakota)
108	First, if people hunt public they wouldn't know how many hunt private so that question is no good. Second, we need to shut Antelope season down for at least one whole year if not two. We definitely do not have the numbers we used to in any unit! This goes for Archery and Rifle resident and non resident. Then at that point implement the new numbers of applicants
109	I would like to know the success rate of archery antelope hunters? If it is increasing with the number of hunters it might be time to limit the number of hunters. Antelope are fun to hunt. I haven't archery hunted them much. But I would like to hunt them more if work didn't get in the way.
110	Once again our inputs as hunters I feel do not matter. Whatever the GFP feels that they have an idea about, that is what will happen regarding licenses. Archery Antelope hunting is hard enough, stop trying to fix what is not broken. There is an unbelievable amount of public land to hunt, and if wanted, private as well.
111	Would like more rifle tags available in state for residents
112	I have not hunted archery antelope.
113	Limit out of state hunters and increase the cost. Keep buck only in effect for several years.
114	Gf&p needs to limit the number of tags available for non residents and institute a draw for non resident hunters. Public hunting areas are infested with far too many non residents that come to SD for a guaranteed cheap hunt.
115	Should have all antelope hunters put in for an antelope tag by county (Unit as currently being done). Then if they draw the tag they can hunt the archery season, if they don't fill the tag during the archery season they can hunt with a rifle during the rifle season. It is not fair that an archery hunter gets to hunt every year and rifle hunters can only draw tags once every 2-3 years. This wasn't a problem 15 years ago, but way more people want to hunt antelope. Please consider this, would be a way better way of managing hunting pressure, and antelope numbers in the current units.
116	Limit non resident licenses.
117	Fix rifle antelope license numbers. It is ridiculous that we can no longer draw tags. Get your crap together and let us hunt.
118	With decreasing antelope numbers, the archery hunters should see decrease in their opportunities also.

119	We have taken away opportunities from South Dakota residents in the last 10 years. Living in this state should mean something. First thing is limit licenses for nonresident antelope hunters. If 930 resident archery licenses are issued, then only 7% what remaining would be allowed for non-residents that would be 65. This is the same guideline that it's been implies for years with a GFP limit to 7% of the licenses because that's all public land access. With limiting the non-residents this should take care of any issues that we have with resident hunters not having an opportunity to hunt antelope. \\What the state needs to do is elect game commissioner. Make hunting and fish a constitutional right in South Dakota. Illuminate the game Commission by governor picks. When the Commission ask the opinion of the hunting public they do not listen to the voice of the people. The department of tourism is not the game fish and parks but it's being run like it is. SDP
120	Since the GFP had to make huge cuts on the firearms antelope hunters, I think it is only fair that the archery antelope hunters are restricted as well. I think if the GFP makes different units and has limited tags for those units that will help spread the archery antelope hunters out. I think this could make hunting also better for hunters on public land.
121	Non Resident archery antelope tags should be eliminated or raise the price to be competitive with other states around us.
122	They need to have limited draw licenses just like the firearm season! Technology has increased greatly over the past several years. This needs to be taken in seriously! The bows they have these days can kill accurately up to 100 yds these days.
123	We need to limit the number of non resident tags we give. Unlimited is irresponsible.
124	why not make Archery like Rifle \have so many license and have them apply for it.
125	Should be a limited number of tags and be unit specific. That is the only way to control both the number of animals harvested and the overcrowding of people.
126	A majority of people I run into have out of state plates, and it seems they will shoot anything since they drove so far, like does and kids in years past and many immature bucks.
127	Certain areas get overrun by nonresident. Need a limit on nonresident tags-make nonresident a lottery draw
128	a slight raise in NR tag price. Then make it a NR draw with 20% tag number available of the previous years resident archery antelope tag number. No antlerless archery antelope tags until population numbers are up considerably.
129	Reduce the amount of nonresident hunters, make it a draw for nonresident. I am willing to pay more for a resident tag.
130	Think nonresident archery antelope licences should be allocated on a percentage of resident licenses basis like firearms allocations are.
131	No permits for public land! its public land! I would like to keep at least something in South Dakota hunting the same. Everything has changed, preference points needed for fall turkey tag now, 8+ preference points for an any muzzleloader deer tag, 2+ preference points for black hills deer, most west river deer tags are only valid on private land, etc. Keep public land accessible to the public for hunting.
132	The archery antelope and deer should go to a 90-10 and the archery units should be like the deer units where you pick one and that is it
133	No opinionâ€¦ on the antelope but the big problem with the west river deer is not the out of state hunters but with east river hunters hunter both east and west riverâ€¦ make a choice â€¦ one state license maybe??
134	I quit hunting antelope because of too many hunters. The number of licenses issued should be limited. A draw would allow a better ratio of bucks to does if adjustments are needed. I would up the cost and lower the availability of non resident tags. Too many out of state hunters.
135	There should be no nonresident archery tag for any species that is unlimited unless it's on private land. Land owners that do not allow public access for hunting should not be able to collect deprivation dollars or have deprivation tags for their land. Land owners that do not allow hunting access should not have a say in how many animals live on a landscape. GFP has been too slow to react to declining numbers for both antelope and deer. Double tags for deer should be limited to private land where public hunting is allowed.

136	I believe that if you change the state wide unit to the region specific, youâ€™ll only increase pressure on a certain unit. You gotta go where the antelope are.
137	Unlimited archery deer licenses are also a problem on public land. it is hard to have a quality hunt when hunter density is extremely high
138	I like the opportunity to be able to do archery antelope hunting every year. What percentage of the 3000 resident and non resident tags in 2021 were successful do you guys think? And how many rifle tags were successful? I think if you are going to try to save the population you need to start with rifle licenses... I just got back today from out there archery antelope hunting and I agree. The population is way down. But it's from the severe drought that is ongoing out there. I don't think it has to do with the few antelope that were taken by archery hunters last year. My 2 cents.
139	There is too much technology in the archery seasons.\\Sights, triggers, and compound bows do not belong in a primitive season.\\Going back to equipment used when the archery seasons were first implemented would alleviate the issue.
140	limit non-res antelope tags to drawing only to a determined limit set by the antelope count numbers - like the rifle tag numbers are based
141	There is too many non resident antelope hunters. Up price cut tags for non residents. SD antelope fluctuates so much we need to limit and add tags when needed rather than trying to fix the problem after the damage is done
142	None
143	We need to reduce nonresident archery opportunities and create access to landlocked public lands.
144	There are people in SD THAT GET TURNED DOWN FOR TAGS BUT WE GIVE WAY TO MANY NONRESIDENT TAGS. CUT THOSE, NOT RESIDENT.
145	Please reduce the number of out of state archery tags and increase the price for out of state tags as well.
146	Space is limited. Reduce or restrict number of out of state hunters and charge more.
147	The overcrowding on public land is terrible. It used to be you could buy an any and an antlerless archery tag. Even after that changed rifle hunters were still allowed double and triple doe tags. Poor management
148	Our antelope herd numbers are very low due to way too much hunting pressure and too many harvested.
149	I have not hunted for antelope during archery season. So I cannot provide a valid opinion based on personal experience. However, I remain hopeful that the state of South Dakota will not diminish the hunting opportunities for South Dakota residents by granting more opportunities for non-residents.
150	I see this year my rifle tag is buck only! I like to take a doe,if I cannot find a real trophy buck, to protect trophy quality. I would like to see less pressure on the bucky by any way possible. I hate to shoot bucks that have not reached trophy status!
151	Charge nonresident higher rates for tag purchases and/or have them put into a limited draw and allow in state to remain as is.
152	Start by Limiting the number of nonresident licenses available. Use a percentage of the resident numbers and start there (say 25%). If this does not help to reduce pressure and increase current population levels, then consider reducing the number of licenses available to resident archery hunters.
153	We need to start limiting the number of archery tags given out for antelope. Residents should get the majority of the tags or given preference and fewer and/or leftover tags for non-residents. This type of hunting along with the unlimited amount of tags has seriously hurt our antelope numbers recently and it's the reason I declined to apply for that tag this year.
154	In Wyoming, the antelope capital of the US, non-resident licenses are all limited draw. With more and more publicity on SD antelope archery hunting and unlimited licenses it is obvious what is taking place. When more and more private land is locked up by outfitters it is going to put more pressure on public lands.
155	Increase the price for non-residents and make their hunt by draw (controlled hunt). And increase the price for non-residents for preference points!

156	Having a buck only tag, limited operatory to hunt private land. Land owners were willing to let me hunt if I could shoot a doe. They hunted and wanted to save the bucks for their tag.
157	Dramatically increase non-resident Antelope archery fees! Far, far too many non-resident Antelope archery hunters.
158	Nonresident archery antelope licenses need to go to a limited draw. Right now South Dakota is touted on many online hunting forums is the perfect back up plan for when you fail to draw archery permits and other western states.
159	Raise the price on our of staters
160	Again same as archery deer South Dakota needs to take care of its home state residence first don't feel it's right that residents can turn down and non-residents can you come over and hunt doesn't sit well for the law abiding taxpayer of the state as a South Dakota resident and then get turned down to hunt game
161	SD should increase the cost of the non resident license. Make the money from the nonresidents and give the residents a break.
162	We are a cheap and early destination for non resident hunters. If the season for non resident started September 1st it would automatically decrease the amount of non resident antelope hunters because they would be hunting elk elsewhere or deer elsewhere. We also need to raise the fee for non residents. We need to focus more on in state hunter recruitment. It's our state and we need to emphasize the need for improving resident opportunities. P.S.-You folks really do work your ##### off. It's not an easy job keeping everyone happy. Actually it's impossible. It might also help to have a few public land hunters on the commission.
163	Do not change anything!
164	Make non-residents apply for limited LM units early on public land to limit antelope hunting pressure on public land. Same thing WR archery deer for non-residents had been doing the last couple of years
165	I would think that the success ratio of archery antelope hunters is pretty low. May be a good idea to spread hunters out on different areas of public land particularly non-resident hunters who have increased in numbers more
166	hoping that the buck only license can be changed back to any antelope. thank you.
167	Resident Hunter should come first then after that then it's the non-residence give preference to the residence
168	I did not agree with any of the choices about maintaining a state wide license, or limiting the access to the public land through a drawing. I think there are other options like limiting the number of licenses, allowing residents the first opportunity and a greater opportunity by reducing the number of nonresident tags like Wyoming recently did with Moose and Sheep tags. Another option would be to split the season into a few different time frames. For example, a group of tags for August 15 to 31st, a group for Sept 1 to 15, another for Sept 15 - 31, and then one for the rest of the year. Obviously not open in rifle season, so the dates may need tweaking. This is how Colorado provides the opportunity to more hunters while reducing the amount of pressure in the field at a particular time for some species.
169	Non resident archery hunters should have to apply for a specific unit and you should reduce the number of tags given out. As a resident firearms hunter, I have to apply for a specific county with limited tags. The last time I drew a rifle tag, I could not even find an antelope on any of the public ground in that county. I saw nothing but other hunters. Pretty disappointing to say the least. This year I applied for tags again in a different unit and could not even draw a tag. Most of the antelope spend the season on private ranches where they are not bothered too much. Antelope hunting in this state has pretty much gone down hill.
170	Please limit out of state hunters. It's too easy and affordable to hunt SD for them compared to other western states
171	There needs to be a restriction on the number of non resident archery hunters. There also should be a non resident price increase. We should be comparable non resident pricing to Wyoming and surrounding states.
172	Limit archery licenses by firearm unit.

173	There are way too many non-resident archery hunters in both antelope and deer. They are depleting the amount of animals on public land by harvest and by too much pressure pushing them onto private land so there isn't much left come rifle season.
174	Your own GFP biologists know something is killing the antelope and they don't know why. No recruitment on the grasslands in 7 years. Way too many non-resident hunters. Double the cost if the non-resident licenses and limit them to 50 tags a year on public. Unlimited on private.
175	You won't let kids shoot an antelope on public land but you'll give unlimited archery licenses to non-residents. What else needs to be said?
176	I in the past hunted private near Mud Butte and it was good but numbers were terrible . So the last years 20 and 21 I hunted Harding 20 was good as far numbers last year there I moved 4 times hunting 8 days im not sure if I could of shot one with a gun more less with my longbow. I had at least 2 maybe 3 where I never saw a goat. so are numbers are down . \ I always hunt the 3rd week of Sept so I've never seen the big number of hunters but enough running around early on, flashing decoys, and shooting long shots. Thank you not sure of answer. skipping it this year after such a disappoint last year hunting the Hills this coming week. XX
177	Limited draw nonresidents just like neighbouring states and increased fees.
178	Again, I think this issue could be solved by also creating a non resident limited entry Antelope tag for private land. This would limit the impact on outfitters and the special tag like the special buck tag would also come at an increased cost.
179	Eliminate nonresident archery tags. Limited draw for residents.
180	The antelope numbers have been down for quite a few years now. There were several years when license numbers did not correlate with the number of animals on private or public land. From observations the recruitment has not been good. This year GFP dropped the number of rifle licenses dramatically(two years too late) I believe archery hunters take a minimal amount of animals, but to be one of or the only state that allows unlimited number of nonresidents when numbers are low doesn't seem to be the best policy.
181	Limit number of non-resident licenses to 8% of the average number of resident archery licenses issued over the previous 10 year period. Eliminate the statewide license option and start issuing licenses by geographical hunt units established by population home ranging information and watershed definition. Limit the total number of licenses issued no differently than firearms. This nonsense of issuing hunting licenses by county is obsolete and baseless. Get rid of it.
182	Please limit the amount of NR hunters.
183	I Live in Florida , I have not drawn a antelope tag since 2016, i would prefer less archery tags, and a few more non resident rifle tags be available , thank you
184	Make it simple, do it just like Wyoming does. It always seem like the antelope are on the down trend compared to the uptrend. More agriculture pressure on the prairie over the last decade has hindered big game in general.
185	Increase predator control on coyotes. Coyotes are out of control affecting antelope, deer, and upland bird population. Quit collating animals if you can't do it safely. The Hughes/Sully county population was decimated by helicopter capture done in February. Most of the herd was eliminated a couple winters ago. Increase nonresident tag fees to maintain capital and reduce pressure.
186	Other state regulate non-resident tags for all game, and they cost more money.
187	Unfortunate that it is easier to get a non resident archery tag that a resident gun tag
188	Thereâ€™s no reason we shouldnâ€™t up the cost of non resident tags and also impose a limit on the number of tags allocated to non residents. Wildlife is a public trust resource. Our antelope look the same as the ones in WY and MT but we certainly have less. Why wouldnâ€™t we value them accordingly?
189	Restrict non residents to land owner only. Require name of landowner on non resident applications.
190	Nonresidents should have to draw license and reduce nonresident licenses

191	I quit hunting them about 3 years ago because the low number of goats and high numbers of hunters. Every hill you go over there's a different hunter. The only way to have a hunt by yourself is to find private land and still someone will mess it up.
192	I think there should be a limited draw for non resident archery antelope.
193	none residents need to have more expensive tag and limit theme to one county by lottery
194	limit the number of archery tags
195	I am more concerned about archery deer hunters on public lands during firearm antelope season. I would like to see not allowed on for safety and antelope hunting quality.
196	Too many archery hunters are putting great pressure on the goats. Most goats are fleeing public lands to only be found on private lands. I have notice a great decline in goats from this during rifle season. Don't just issue all these tags. I would reduce the tags greatly during archery and move more towards special tags/landowner and charge more for those. I've heard many times an out of state hunting say your tags are cheap and easy to get. We swing in shoot whatever we first see and off we go. The state sees little return on these hunters.
197	Selling over the counter archery tags to nonresidents is a great money maker! The success rate is very low, and few animals are taken. Just charge nonresidents as much as the market will bear for the tag, without turning to many away for the price. I know multiple nonresidents that feel like SD deer and antelope tags are cheap. Don't cut any over the counter archery tags, archery is a great way to get new people into the sport! Rather pursue other avenues to decrease conflict on public land. I feel like 80% of hunters nowadays hunt on public land. I think more should be done to increase public access to private lands, that are way under utilized! Like, start a program that requires a \$100 access permit to hunt big game on walk-in or state lands, use the money to lease and acquire even more public access. I feel like if some ranchers out west were offered really good money to enroll tracts into more walk in areas, they would probably do it. Then if they improve habitat on that land they could increase their walk in payment. Maybe instead of requiring a \$100 permit to access current walk-in or public lands, they could be left as is and a second walk in program could be established or piloted. How it would work, if a hunter buys a \$100 access stamp you would get even more access than you already have. it could be piloted in Harding county on one large ranch, see how it goes, then expand it to lots of other seasons for deer etc. Another idea, make two types of tags (especially for nonresidents), archery antelope tags good for only private land, and archery antelope tags good for all types of land, on the second tag type that could be used on public land, charge twice as much, and use 100% of the extra money to fund more public access. I feel like most hunters nowadays can spare a \$100 to fund more access. Its not that there are to many hunters, there are just to many on the few public accessible pieces of land in each county, private land is way under utilized! I feel like the walk in program could be 10x the size if hunters like myself would foot the bill. Personally if I knew I could hunt double the public land I normally could in SD, I would pay \$500 for it each year or even more. If resident hunters push back to hard, then just charge nonresidents an extra \$100 to hunt deer/antelope on public, and leave it basically free for the residents, then use the money to buy access onto more private ground for the benefit of all hunters. The current walk in program and habitat stamp are great and work well for small game hunters, I think for big game hunters specifically, a new access fee or permit should be required to hunt on public lands, to increase funding and the purchase of more walk-in leases. Big game hunters require larger amounts of land to be satisfied, and the fee should reflect that. I absolutely love the current walk-in program, and feel to meet the challenges in the present day it just needs to be expanded, or even more new walk in programs added! SD is huge, and 80% of the hunters are on less then 10% of all the land in this state!
198	Buck only Antelope state wide???
199	I spoke with my rancher contact in Perkins County and he says the antelope numbers are bad so we didn't apply for tags this year.
200	Allow crossbow 's to be used. Not just for disabled people. Allow so many crossbow permits for both antelope and deer.

201	Restrict antelope tags for non resident archers, otherwise if you feel a problem for antelope numbers onock down rifle tags because rifles have a way higher success rate, i have noticed a record high of archery antelope hunters during my last trip, roughly half residents and half non residents
202	Archery hunting wounds and loses more animals than all rifle seasons combined. They take dumb shots with no regards to the animal and keep hunting. Itâ€™s great finding arrowheads buried in animal scar tissue. Ridiculous.
203	It should all be just like firearms tags have to draw for the county you want to hunt and limited tags just like firearms
204	I did not hunt
205	This issue is no different then Archery deer. To many tags, over ran public lands, to long of a season and zero units. It makes no sense to have a heavily managed firearm season with county units and limited tags but then turn around and have unlimited archery tags, no units and months long season. As with deer the hard to draw firearm units are also the popular archery areas. By the time firearm season starts many of the bucks have either been killed or pressured off the public lands. Perkins, Harding, Butte & Fall River are a 2-4 year gun draw but it is unlimited to non resident hunters for months. Please limit NR antelope hunters to 8-12% of last years resident archery licenses sold. That would be inline with gun season license allocations. Also please raise the NR license fee.
206	I love the season and I love the ability as a resident to draw a tag and go where I want. I have gone to different areas over the years. As a resident I want to continue to have my annual trip archery hunting trip. If limits must be imposed, I would suggest a draw for non residents. I know they pay more, but I am more concerned with South Dakota tradition and hunting. Not supportive to commercialized hunting in general.
207	Leave the resident licenses the same and either do a drawing or increase the cost for nonresidents. Decrease the out of state hunters with the growth of the states own tax paying resident archers.
208	As long as we have antelope and not hurt populations Hunting is a great time to spend with family or friends
209	There are just to many NR bowhunters in the state of SD...
210	I believe antelope season both archery and rifle should be restricted to resident only just like elk. The amount of nonresident archery antelope hunters is ridiculous. They will fling arrows at anything they can get a chance at without regard of shot placement and accuracy. I believe they do that so that they donâ€™t feel like they wasted a trip out here without taking something back with them. This has lead to poor shots on animals. Increased wounded and dead antelope that end up getting wasted because they were never found. I have noticed the gradual decline in antelope numbers over the past several years and I believe that out of state hunters are partly at fault. I love antelope meat and would like to bring back the ability to harvest either sex even if that means I need to wait a year to draw an archery tag
211	We south Dakota residents should be entitled to first opportunity before regulations to the season, I believe not to eliminate nonresidents tags but to give them a draw instead of a guaranteed license, kind of like with waterfowl and west river license availability. I endorse a certain amount of tourism and hunting opportunity but us residents should have more of the hunting rights. It seems like we are giving into tourism money more than benefiting our states resource of wildlife management. We already depleted the mule deer population by poorly managed deer drawings. There are counties on the Missouri River that use to be all mule deer in population that have been overrun by over hunting and now are populated by mostly whitetail. Also with fishing we now have all these species occurring in our waters that are not super to be here and we are getting regulated because when we go to a boat dock there are more people there from Minnesota, Iowa or Nebraska bringing them here.
212	Last year was ridiculous. Oklahoma, Kansas, Minnesotaâ€™; truck after truckâ€™; there even was a group who tried sneaking out on private land because all the goats had been pushed off the public from so much pressure and they got caught. Seems like thereâ€™s way too much antelope pressure
213	Non resident hunters flood harding and butte counties. It's gross.
214	Thank you for including me in this survey, but at this time, I do not archery hunt

215	I would like to see a muzzle loader tags in more populated antelope units !!!
216	In general, our state needs to be harder on non residents. There really isn't another state that lets a non resident purchase over the counter like we do for so many species. In addition, tag fees may be increased for the non resident, especially if the tag allocation structure stays the same.
217	cap NR license to 10% or less total tags available
218	I feel you need to limit the number of nonresident archery deer and antelope tags as well as increase the cost of both. South Dakota is getting over run by nonresident archery hunters due to the unlimited number of tags and lowest cost in the nation.
219	I primarily want to hunt antelope, and I have been declined too many times. I believe that it is not fair to increase so many archery tags and thus affect my rifle chances.
220	I am not sure what the success is on antelope, but if archery hunters are a viable management tool they many have to be limited. I have personally archery hunted antelope for over 20 years and only taken 2 antelope in that time. Access permits may be the best way to control pressure.
221	I don't know, you people do the surveys what do the survey numbers tell you? All I know is that where I hunt 15/20 years ago the numbers were great, antelope everywhere. Now the numbers are 1/3 what they use to be and don't seem to be getting any better! Have highly been considering going out of state! We currently drive 6 n 8 hours, what's another hour or two for better hunting.
222	Open Ft Pierre grasslands to archery only antelope season instead of closing because there is no rifle season\\Plant more food plots on state ground. Please.
223	Insanely too many archery antelope hunters. I waited for too many years to draw a rifle antelope tag, I think the archery take is cutting into the population and I like to rifle hunt. I would like to see restricted archery tags for both resident and nonresident. Nonresident tags should go up in price to over \$400 also.
224	Change it to resident only
225	Limit the NR pressure public lands, but offer a draw for a Special Archery Buck tag to be used on private lands .in order Not to hurt the Outfitters
226	The GFP needs to realize that for both rifle and archery, many of these units have 90% of the hunters concentrated on hunting 10% of the unit, mainly the public access. Fall River County is pretty big, but its not uncommon to see 30 trucks in a 10 mile radius because of the public land and no private access or the outfitters leasing the private and pushing antelope from public to private ground. Also, why the #### would you change mentored antelope hunting to private ground only ? This severely limits young hunters opportunities, trying to get permission to hunt a doe antelope during the regular season is very difficult since many landowners have guys hunting for bucks and don't want additional pressure of kids thst are learning to hunt being in the same place at the same time.
227	As long as the management of the animals is correct and we are doing a good job of managing the resource I don't see why we would restrict access for anyone. I can see if a specific area is getting habitat damage or something, but I am for opportunity for all, even if that includes out of state hunters and having to find a different herd to stalk
228	Leave the resident license as is and limit the number of nonresident tags available
229	If population is the concern then use the nonresident tags as a the tool for managing this
230	The new gf&p website is terrible. The website was always the best to use and now it has joined the ways of other state's websites.

231	I think it is too easy for non residents to get a tag. It seem like I see more non residents than residents every time I go archery anything out west anymore especially antelope. Public hunting in South Dakota continues to get more and more overcrowded. Our public lands just are not plentiful enough or large enough to get away from people. It takes a lot of the fun out of the hunt when you are constantly getting trampled by people and having to race to spots in hopes that someone actually gives a damn if you where there first and gives you the space to actually hunt. I'd love it if there where enough land for everyone to hunt , non residents and residents alike but that's just not the case. It sure seems like most of the archery antelope hunters , especially non residents,are condensed to a few areas of the state . Maybe start a limited draw for non residents by area and if interest continues to grow for residents in the future do the same for us as well .
232	South Dakota's non resident license fees are too low for all species. The state is behind on license fees in general.
233	It's absolutely unacceptable to have unlimited NR antelope archery tags.\Also, the number of rifle tags issued given the almost complete collapse of our state antelope herd is disgusting.\400 tags for Fall River???\I burned up 83 gallons of fuel and an abundance of boot leather covering every inch of that unit a couple weeks ago.\I didn't see 100 antelope total, let alone 400 bucks.\The season should be shut down entirely for the foreseeable future. By which I mean multiple seasons to allow the herd to rebound.\Shame on the Dept for allowing any antelope season at all for 2022.\This is coming from someone who has always fiercely defended the GFP, all my life...
234	Antelope numbers seem way down compared to even 5 years ago. I'm not entirely sure if biology and statistics back my comment but they seem down, no doubt. By restricting the number of licenses that are given to residents and non residents alike could help alleviate those numbers. You do it with rifles I'm not sure why it wouldn't work with bows. Wyoming has (had) the highest density of antelope by a land slide and from what I understand non residents can't even acquire tags as easily as South Dakota.
235	Nonresidents should be in a drawing with a percentage cap on licenses . Nonresidents make up roughly 25% of license holders which seems high.
236	Limit out of state tags and make them draw units like we have to with rifle and raise out of state rates for all hunting and fishing tags and licenses instead of finding ways to raise money through low paid residents\Stop wasting our funds paying land owners to put land into walk-in or other programs that are stubble fields, burned off in the fall, pasture grazed to waste land, or land that is hayed and or has livestock on it. If landowners want to be in walk-in there needs to be rules like their animals need to be off the land before opening day \And if ranchers are allowed to graze public lands where is my check \At the very least there needs to be a time limit and number limit of their animals that can be on that land \The worst examples are on west river lands and I would be able to provide tons of pictures of lands I wasted my time and money visiting that you wasted our funds on and these land owners are laughing at
237	The options provided on access and license numbers did not address the issue, we all know it is about the money generated by allowing out of state hunting, however, there should be very little if any out of state hunting allowed when residents are unable to get tags and access. If game animal numbers of any species are down then the first thing to be done to alleviate the pressure is to curtail out of state hunting, period. This only scratches the surface of the issue and it seems as though you keep trying to use different angle to get the answer/ result you are looking for. This subject/ conversation has been ongoing for quite some time.
238	Public hunting lands should have better access opportunities for older hunters at 64 years old I don't feel like walking 2 miles to find somewhere to hunt and set up antelope blinds and a stand. About ready to quit archery antelope hunting. Maybe contract with private landowners for each hunter to pay for limited access to private lands. I would pay 25 bucks or so a day to archery antelope hunt private land.
239	I just feel with all the people posting videos on you tube where anyone out of state can just come and get an archery antelope tag. That number of non residents is just going to keep going up every year. In my opinion I think there should be a limited number on how many nonresident can bow hunt antelope especially when the antelope population keeps going down.

240	The number of nonresident tags is the obvious problem and limiting them is should be first in order. I also have archery antelope hunted Nebraska for many years. Last year they began limiting nonresident tags. This has resulted in me not getting a tag in Nebraska the past two yrs but am in total support of that decision. There should never be a restriction put on resident tags until nonresident tags are reduced or eliminated if necessary.
241	Have the ability to hunt archery with rifle tag and if filled you dont hunt the rifle season. With this the hunter should still get to apply for both seasons
242	The quality and number of antelope has decreased steadily over the years. The department of tourism and economic development has too much sway over GFP
243	Lost to much private land to non residents paying and outfitters leasing up land. Need to limit or set up draws for Nonresidents. One land owner had WI outfitter lease over 30,000 acres we use to hunt for years and allowed over 50 pay hunters have rights over us residents. About had it with SD antelope Hunting.
244	Leave things as they are. Residents are sick of things constantly being changed around for the benefits of everyone but Residents themselves. I can't stress enough, leave things alone!
245	The amount of nonresident bow hunters is getting crazy. If you drive around our national grasslands and public hunting areas that hold antelope and mule deer you are likely to see a vehicle parked or camped there from Minnesota. It's too much and the nonresident tags should be way more expensive similar to other western states.
246	N
247	Yes. Seems most archery hunters are in the NW corner of state. Need limited draw by same areas as rifle tags.
248	Unfortunately with the increase of non-resident licenses, access for the resident hunter is becoming more difficult and many times previous access granted becomes difficult for the resident hunter.
249	Increase price for non resident with limited amount of tags
250	there are more non-resident hunters now in Fall River now than I have ever seen. and you issued 400 rifle tags. Fall River is going to be Harding Co. in a couple years if you keep it this way. NOT GOOD GFP!
251	Non-resident opportunity needs to be limited or restricted to reduce hunting pressure along with there being an increase in the costs for a tag. The reduction in revenue from restricting tags can be offset by allowing the purchase of preference or bonus points along with a significant increase in tag costs for those non-residents.
252	Limit nonresident antelope tags.
253	Time to limit non-resident archery hunters and raise the fee!
254	SHOULD NOT BE OPEN TO NON RESIDENT AND LONGER SEASON
255	Success rates are extremely low for archery antelope on public land. These antelope get smart fast with the pressure, so changing anything resident related is not necessary. I am in favor of limiting non-resident tags first and keep them in line with rifle tags, which I believe is 8%. \Also price should not be increased on antelope or deer tags. \$40 is some expensive meat when you get an average of 30lbs. Per average sized deer or antelope. A lot of sd residents still hunt for food. Compare this to the \$50 resident elk tag in Colorado, the meat per dollar ratio is not close.
256	Seems we need to curb the non-resident licenses since that has been growing much faster than residents. Antelope seem to be a more limited game animal that deer and might need a few less licenses. As a resident, I would prefer that we cut back on non-resident tags.
257	blind hunting the waterholes really seems to move the antelope off the property,especially the public ground.the antelope wont come and drink at night.
258	I have experianced the effect of having the archery hunters push the antelope from an area by there being a hunter at every waterhole.
259	Leave it be if anything put a restriction on non resident hunting pressure but restricting residents is none sense

260	My experience has been that even if I find a antelope herd to try to set up on or decoy, nonresident hunters not familiar with the ability for antelope to almost see your soul, ends up with someone on a road watching which generally messes up my attempts.
261	I'm not much on leaving comments, but this time I have decided to. I don't have any issues with the number of instate hunters, I think the current system for resident hunters is okay the way it is. What I am seeing more is the out of state hunters, they come here because it is cheap to apply for a license compared to surrounding states, same as for Deer, which I didn't leave a comment on that survey. A friend of mine was out archery hunting this year and he told me where he went 9 out of 10 vehicles were out of state. I think you need to up the price and availability for out of state hunters.
262	I would rather have a draw system to help pressure areas. Too many non residents in high pressure areas. I would rather only draw a tag every other year and have higher success then deal with the amount of people that are currently hunting public areas.
263	Definitely need to restrict the number of non resident licenses.
264	The states pronghorn population has been decimated. Allowing unlimited archery and mentor tags is going to continue to destroy herds and the quality of game this state has to offer
265	I am an archery and rifle antelope hunter. In my experience, archery hunting antelope is the most disruptive hunting I have participated in. Disruptive to the natural movements of the animal. Pressure on antelope alters there movements and location very quickly....archery hunting is a high action high pressure sport requiring 10, 20, 30, 40 stocks. In my own experience and hearing of others it is not uncommon for archery hunters to shoot at distances exceeding 50 yards significantly decreases the likelihood and ethical shot will be made. \\Due to all of these factors I have recently withdrawn my interest in archery antelope hunting. I hope SD makes this and archery hunting deer on public land areas like the the Ft Pierre grassland a more limited opportunity.
266	As the number of archery hunters has increased, fewer antelope are present on public land, and those present tend to be very skittish.
267	I'd be a huge fan of eliminating nonresident antelope tags until the population comes back. It's a resource that our resident tax payers support yet residents are limited in tags to support nonresident hunters
268	I have faith in YOU GUYS YOU'LL SCREW THIS UP TOO !!!
269	In my opinion, by issuing an unlimited number of no. Resident Archery Antelope (also Archery Deer) licenses, it makes it harder for the Resident Hunters to find animals on public lands. More hunting pressure on the public lands, pushes the herds onto private land. Private Land is becoming harder to access as more and more land is either being leased by outfitters or leased by private party. For some of us, the only option we have is to hunt on public lands.
270	Cap nonresident tags and make them apply for specific units. \\Allow the first week of the season to be nonresident only. The first 3 vehicles I saw this year were nonresident. They rarely have good etiquette. Also need to make the harvest "horns taller than ears". Tired of seeing nonresident with tiny goats because that is all they could get a shot on. Thank goodness the does are safe now.\\Nonresident tags should cost more. Make them buy small game before they can apply for big game or preference. This puts us in line with many western states. I would not even be opposed to a resident increase. Especially if it goes toward good public access.
271	I do not hunt archery antelope, only rifle. But I have witnessed the archery pressure especially by nonresidents. We must limit the number of nonresident archery hunters in some form. Perhaps similar to nonresident rifle deer where only 8% of previous years total archery license sales are available by application for non residents. Establish areas for nonresidents to apply for. Presently they are so heavily concentrated in certain areas of the state. Example Harding County. Increase application fee or preference point purchase price to be more competitive with surrounding states. \$60-100 is not unreasonable.\\The antelope population is very low state wide and it may require closing certain areas or limiting total hunters in certain areas. The establishment of 3-5 zones would be appropriate and limit the total number of hunters for those areas. Thank you

272	Archery tags need to be a limited draw for both resident and nonresident just like a rifle tag. Archery hunters currently have a free-for-all, while the rifle hunter pays the price of fewer and fewer tags
273	Limit the non resident tags and put them in a draw
274	Crossbows should be regulated more closely, only those who have a significant physical impairment should be allowed to use crossbows.
275	To many none residents
276	provide reduced landowner tags. LANDOWNERS MATTER is what your pamphlet says time to take action
277	very few antelope on public land
278	The out of state tags available to nonresidents need to be significantly reduced.
279	It would be nice to have the Non resident hunt be on a draw system. I have watched many YouTube videos with guys just stoping in SD because itâ€™s over the counter and also very affordable. It would be nice to also increase the cost also. https://youtu.be/aRDtjXbBd7w \This is link to one of the YouTube video videos as an example.
280	I would like to see you sell fewer rifle tags and limit the tags you do sell to only one antelope, no more double tags!
281	The number of antelope is WAY down in Fall River and Custer counties. This in NOT due to archery hunting. The success rate of archery compared to rifle is huge. I feel that for 3 years we should have no rifle tags and no nonresident archery tags.
282	They have pubic hunting but have to hunt on my land because I manage it to wild life to be abundant
283	Major problem is the transient nature of the population.\\Often times thereâ€™s a great excess of hunters in an area with a paucity of animals.\\I do not feel that the quotas reflect the population in the area at the time that the season begins.\\I have hunted the same area for many years and in an area where you have several hundred permits, we do not see a single antelope.\\I am a lifelong South Dakota resident and field of the quality of antelope hunting in our state has worsened every year Iâ€™ve hunted.
284	Limit the non residents to 8% like rifle units
285	I havenâ€™t archery antelope hunted for 5 years because there has gotten to be so many people on public lane that it wasnâ€™t enjoyable anymore.
286	Many public land areas I do not hunt any longer due to the large quantities of nonresident hunters.
287	I truly believe that until the antelope numbers increase that archery tags should stay at buck antelope only.
288	Always anything that can be done to improve habitat is needed. Also increase opportunity to access public land and public access to private land.
289	Our out of state tags are the cheapest around. The hunters don't contribute to the local economy because alot of them camp because of the warm weather for season. Make the archery out of state \$600 and sell less tags but equate the same revenue by limit draw for out of state hunters. That's what Wyoming, Colorado, and montana do
290	Leave resident archery hunting as is..make nonresident go thru a draw process limiting tags way down..
291	Too many archery tags are being given out and the public lands are being over hunted during archery season.
292	Cut non resident tags and increase price
293	We can no longer in anyway sustain unlimited tags for any species or weapon. Please stop. \Thank you.
294	Very disappointed with number of antelope that were on public ground
295	If this is that big of concern maybe we start by removing out of state tags and provide to residents first and if thatâ€™s not enough then limit tags. I like hunting out of state myself but we need to support the residents that support our state program
296	I donâ€™t understand why you can hunt archery deer during the firearm season but canâ€™t hunt archery antelope during the firearm season. Why are they different?

297	Sometimes the archery season is the only option I get to hunt with my out of state family if they are unsuccessful in the rifle draw so I really don't want to see any archery applications change.
298	Non resident price to go up, limit \Non resident to public land if purchased before June 1 after that private land hunting only.
299	Removing either sex licenses. Make them buck and doe specific. Not just antelope but all big game species. I think that would make game and unit management easier.
300	Leave it alone
301	The herd numbers are down. Non-resident licenses need to be eliminated until they increase.
302	August is too hot to archery hunt.
303	Make archery a draw like firearm season with a quota for each unit.
304	If our resident youth can't even hunt mentor tags on public ground why on god's green earth are we letting 900 nonresident archers hunt it?
305	Hunting has become too crowded, need to reduce pressure somehow.
306	Raise the price for nonresidents
307	Always too many hunters on public land.
308	South Dakota must eliminate unlimited archery licenses for both deer and antelope. All western states manage the number of archery hunters. South Dakota needs to start doing the same as our public lands are overrun with resident and nonresident archery hunters.
309	None
310	SDGFP should raise the price on all non resident hunting and fishing licenses. If they want what the residents opportunity then move to the state like the rest of did and pay taxes in South Dakota and enjoy resident benefits.
311	Should have a limited draw for Antelope
312	I think that the game and fish should ask the land owners how many liscence that should be handed out. We feed the wildlife all year long. We know what the population is on our ranch. But no one asks us.
313	Thanks for the opportunity to comment. Changing to a buck only for ALL antelope permits is the way to do it until the population exceeds objectives. 30-40 years ago our antelope population was outstanding.\\The main issue is the Non-Resident pressure! That MUST be limited and require a draw. The leasing pressure non-residents put on private land is cutting out residents. The public land pressure is even WORSE. Go ask residents what they see in Harding, Meade, Butte and Fall River counties on Public lands.\\The increase the last decade is staggering. Allow 8-10% of resident tags sold and cap it for a limited draw.
314	Why do we have the cheapest out of state tags in the country?
315	Send a warden to any of the big walk in areas in Meade Butte Perkins or Harding county and count how many resident to non resident hunters you see. I was out there last year and it was ridiculous I will not waste my money or precious time doing that again until something changes
316	Too many huntersâ€¦ Number needs to be limited with an early deadline to apply.
317	Please keep the state wide unlimited license availability for both residents and non-residence. I donâ€™t feel that there is an overcrowding of archery antelope hunters in the state. In fact I rarely happen upon another archery antelope hunter and when I do I simply move to another public or walk-in area. Thank you for the opportunity to have my input recognized
318	To many archery tags for the few amount of antelope in your state SD plus with the cost of almost \$300 for a nonresident tag I will now only hunt every other year I have been hunting your state SD FOR THE PAST 30 YEARS
319	Do away with the unlimited tags. Sell a limited number of OTC licenses in June or July. First come first serve just like Idaho does with their general deer and elk tags. This will ensure healthy harvest and also reduce pressure so everyone has a more positive hunt.
320	The antelope numbers should directly affect the amount of tags given. If it needs to go to a draw to help the antelope population, then so be it.

321	You could potentially try a draw tag system that would limit the number of hunters per year. From that last how many years of traveling down to South Dakota and especially within that last couple times hunting, I have seen and extreme decrease in the antelope numbers from what it used to be.
322	All the questions were social issues. My answers may be different if there was a biological reason for limiting archery hunters.
323	I understand the social issues raised by the SDBI group but the Pronghorn population is currently stable and unless there is another severe winterkill, there should not be a need to drastically curtail NR licenses. Are ranchers and outfitters being sampled regarding any proposed changes?
324	Having archery hunted antelope on public land every year since 2005, the antelope population is not what it once was. The antelope population should be what dictates tag availability, not public land pressure. Restricting public land opportunity without effecting private land hunters is unjustifiable and an unfair faux fix. If nonresident hunters are the issue, a capped percentage of tags should be allocated for nonresidents, coupled with increasing the nonresident tag price to make other states, further west, more attractive. Please don't penalize hunters whose only option is to hunt public land, to fix a problem created by low antelope numbers. Use biologists to dictate how many antelope tags should be given, regardless of public land vs private.
325	Make two seasons for Archery early and a later season
326	Restricting youth to private only is not a good idea.
327	Consider capping the total number of licenses available to past year when crowding was less. Make it a limited draw for nonresident and resident and cap residents at 10% of the total. So if 2000 licenses were bought in 2017 then that is cap going forward and 200 would be available for nonresidents.
328	There should be a limited draw for non residents There should Limited draw on all archery big game hunting for non residents
329	The non resident antelope license fees are too low compared to other states and should be raised. There are too many non resident antelope archery antelope bowhunters and this needs to be effectively addressed.
330	Part of the reason you are seeing an increase in non resident archery antelope is that you have made it more restrictive for non resident archery deer. Antelope is the only unrestricted archery tag available over the counter. If you make that a drawing also I will have fewer options and will only be able to hunt my home state every few years. I don't see many other hunters because i walk in a mile to hunt antelope. I am really disappointed with the changes you made to the non resident archery deer season. I was a SD resident for more than 30 years and hunted archery deer every year. I still like to come home to hunt but have almost no options for archery deer. Why not offer long time residents (if they have moved) an opportunity to come home and hunt at least archery deer during the usual season. I cant travel more than once a year and would like to hunt both archery antelope and archery deer on the same trip.
331	How many days do archery hunters average hunting antelope? What are archery success rates?
332	As a nonresident, our party liked the option to harvest a doe for 50 bucks and a buck for regular price when #s are up.
333	Limit the rifle tags because they harvest way more antelope than the archers. Most bow hunters dont even get a good shot during the season. I like that gfp stop the harvest of does, especially for rifle hunters. I hope you will continue that practice for years to come. Decrease the non resident archery tags.
334	Cut the amount of out of state hunters.
335	Non-resident licenses should be eliminated. Antelope archery should be RESIDENT ONLY.
336	21years still with no elk tag, people with less years continue to draw before me, so does my opinion really matter
337	Far too many out of state licenses. Needs to be limited in number.
338	I'm sure GFP will find a way to ruin archery hunts the same way that it has ruined the ability to draw big game licenses with preference points earned over years of applying only to have the costs skyrocket and the drawing methodology change every application.

339	The only issue is the amount of nonresident hunters coming in. There's plenty of public ground to hunt but with so many non residents all season it makes for some hard chased animals and over run areas.
340	Might be good to start drawing like deer hunting. New equipment makes it more successful.
341	Over the last 5 years I have hunted Butte Co. The number of antelope has in my opinion decreased. I would recommend decrease the amount of archery tags as well as rifle tags. More importantly the rifle tags.
342	public land gets hit hard
343	I am very happy with the resident archery antelope season as it currently is. I do feel very strongly that the state of South Dakota should limit the number of non resident archery antelope hunters. Which would increase opportunities for resident archery antelope hunters.
344	I quit hunting antelope three or four years ago to the how many nonresident where on public land. We only hunt public and it was far to many. They are not respectful and all they want to do is fill a tag. Why Does't the state of South Dakota rise the price of the non resident tag price or start limiting them
345	If archery hunters get a state wide tag so should rifle hunters. I usually hunt antelope every other year in the Fall River because it takes a preference point or 2 to get a tag. Why are archery hunters given advantages that rifle hunters are not. Make it FAIR!!!!
346	Have never hunted archery antelope and am too old to do so now.
347	South Dakota gets tons of press in the many hunting magazines I get about archery antelope. With added hunters, the odds of more being killed is expected. I believe we should restrict archery antelope licenses to non residents the same way we restrict pretty much all our non resident hunting licenses.
348	After many years I finally gave up archery antelope hunting due to the increased pressure. Please limit the hunting opportunities and give us back a decent experience. In the past 3 years I've seen far more non resident hunters than I have residents
349	Make it a draw for non-residents.
350	Despite the concern over unlimited tags for NR, NR archers only harvest about 3% of the antelope taken in SD each year. With the 25% success rate NR archers toll just over 200 antelope last year. In the years past its been around 150 or less. So the concern raised is about an insignificant effect on the herd. Its really a concern about someone hunting the SDBI areas that they like to hunt. Also, NR big game licenses increased by 15-16% nationwide. This is expected to drop back down to pre-pandemic levels over the coming years. South Dakota is my home state and I wish a small group of hunters wouldn't keep trying to give the state a bad name by creating a perception that SD is anti-NR. Even though I didn't end up coming home after I retired from the Army, I still consider myself a South Dakotan and don't like groups that sully the states reputation. I appreciate the commission addressing this each time it's brought forward. I really appreciated the comment in July that perhaps when a reasonable proposal is brought forward it can be discussed. Keep up the good work, but don't change things for a small group. Almost everyone who commented during the July meeting was a member or board member of SDBI even though they didn't identify themselves as such during their comments from what I heard. I didn't listen to them all though so maybe some of them did.
351	I think it is a travesty that you there is little to no limitation in archery licenses when I look at the number of firearm preference points I have across the board and am sitting out again this year with no tags. Considering the technology in current archery equipment and the increase in number of participants paired with the limits put on other methods, it needs to be better recognized the pressure archery hunting in putting on the resource.
352	Out of state hunters should have to draw for a tag and not be over the counter sort of speak
353	With declining antelope numbers and drought conditions, non resident antelope tags should be capped and not offered unlimited opportunity to all non residents.

354	Why during the 39a41 draw last year was there only 1 non resident tag? My quick research shows 38 tags available to resident hunters. 1 tag is far from the standard 8-10% allocation\\I think mandatory harvest reporting and unit specific harvest quotas offers the "best of both worlds" approach\\The hunters would be responsible to check harvest stats before hunting each day to see if the "unit" has met quota, and they have opportunity with a tag in their pocket, albeit maybe not in the unit they hoped for\\Also from my observation when revenue generation is brought up I feel that rifle hunters bring far more to communities and lodging. (The days are shorter and generally colder) less camping and the hunting days are over early enough to get a quick shower and head in to restaurants for supper
355	I've hunted archery antelope the last 3 seasons. Never got one...seen lots of boats... never saw another hunter. \\I do have friends that occasionally get one. The harvest rates are so low why not get more guys in the field and enjoy South Dakota as well as the gfp enjoy extra revenue
356	Had a good hunt
357	Balance out non-resident antelope tags borrowing from archery and adding to firearms tags
358	limit nonresident licenses and give out less residents also so it dosnt take so many years to get a rifle tag
359	I think all hunters should make it a point to get acquainted with more landowners and\\establish a friendship for hunting rights.
360	The unlimited resident and non-resident antelope archery tags are having a drastic effect on the firearms tags. The archery antelope tags (resident and non-resident) need be a draw only just like the firearms tags. With todays archery equipment, I would guess harvest success is fairly high. In the unit I apply for only 3 non-resident firearm tags are awarded, meanwhile if you hunt with archery equipment you can hunt every year as a non-resident. Level the playing field for tags between the archery hunter and firearms hunter. Thank You
361	I do not archery antelope hunt but did rifle hunt in 2019. Either way it's hard to imagine an increase of some 1500 licenses over a decade is causing a crowding issue. If the trend continues a way to better regulate pressure would be beneficial.
362	Maybe limiting the number of non resident tags will decrease the pressure in certain areas and help the antelope herd at the same time.
363	Do not have much of an opinion since I have not hunted archery antelope.
364	Goats get pushed off public land and then become very difficult to hunt because you can't get permission on any private land. Plus when you go antelope hunting you see twice the number of non residents compared to residents. Too many nonresidents hunting once again.
365	South Dakota is the only state that has unlimited archery licenses for non residents. Our antelope populations have been in severe decline and we can't keep on this same path.
366	I would bet the number of Archery Antelope is dwarfed by the number of rifle antelope harvests. To affect the herd viability then encourage more archery and limit gun tags
367	Working with landowners to open areas of their land. Kind of like the elk hunting access program.
368	I've never harvested an antelope in all the years I've hunted. As long as you bow hunt, the odds are against you. A non-resident gun hunt would be nice. Maybe one per lifetime
369	I was turned down for rifle antelope this year. Don't think\\That archers should be able to get preferred treatment when others don't. If populations reduce the hunting opportunity, everyone should suffer consequences.
370	Keep archery antelope as is
371	More Hunters and better bows being built all the time, increasing effective kill range resulting in large antelope harvest. Only way to help the numbers is to have a draw for residents.. and lower the tag numbers that are given out. Also out of state hunters need to be thinned out as well. Just my opinion,, Thanks Game and Fish. I know it's not a easy job.
372	I notice a much higher percentage of nonresident archery hunters than resident, I realize the income from this is important but a date offset similar to the deer archery would give residents first crack at it

373	Keep the statewide option but limit the number of tags issued for both residents and non-residents, with no more than 20% of allotted tags going to non-residents. Increase the price of tags for non-residents, SD is one of the cheapest options for non-residents. With a limited draw, revenue could be generated through the purchase of preference points.
374	Need to limit out NR hunters and increase fee for them.
375	How about basing the tags off of actual animal count numbers like the majority of the western states do. Having a survey to let residents complain about out of state hunters is ludicrous. GF&P should be leading with data not conjecture from residents.
376	ALL Archery tags should be limited draw just like rifle tags.
377	Raise nonresident license fees. Limit the number of non residents . I see alot of nonresident crossbow hunters that should probely not have a crossbow. Seen 5 in one party a few years ago.
378	Make non-residents apply for a unit and restrict their access. Too many in Harding County.
379	As a nonresident hunter I appreciate the opportunity to archery hunt antelope in the state. In the past I have tried to go hunting in the state at least once each fall. Firearms licenses for antelope and deer are harder to draw as a nonresident so I have used the opportunities archery license provide to be able to come and explore South Dakota. I appreciate having the licenses as a statewide license since it allows me to spend more time in South Dakota. I don't get discouraged if an area has high hunting pressure, I just use it as an opportunity to go explore a new area.
380	As an avid hunter overall I watch outdoor channels and other hunting companies and the state of South Dakota is often talked about as being one of the most accessible states, with the "cheapest" non-resident licenses, and an unlimited number. I support hunting and believe hunting is conservation. But either South Dakota starts charging more for our licenses or we start restricting the number of non-resident licenses because people are coming from everywhere to hunt here. Capitalize on this, charge more for these tags and help South Dakota's public lands, our wildlife, and our economy. West River gets overtaken with East River people so limiting the statewide tags to regional tags I think will help bring some control to West River being taken over.
381	Just a couple of comments: how successful are the archery hunters in harvesting antelope? Does effect the total target for harvested antelope, i.e. what percent of the game take is by archers vs. firearm hunters? Is this significant over the past three years as well?
382	One or two tag available draw lottery for Fort Pierre National grasslands archery antelope
383	Last few times antelope hunting, the amount of pressure theyâ€™ve seen before rifle is ridiculous. Almost impossible to find them on public it seems and when you do they are skiddish. Weâ€™ve had lots of long shots the last few years to have success
384	South Dakota does a decent job about rewarding its residents except for in archery seasons. I feel like they should limit the amount of nonresident archery tags given out.
385	No changes should be made
386	Increase the nonresident fees for all species. Neighboring states are much higher for nonresidents.
387	Keep status quo, encourage more hunters. We need to increase opportunities for the sportsman.
388	If this action is being taken due to hunter density in certain areas I understand. I have hunted in the Belle Fourche area for the last five years. Number of hunters there has not been a problem. If this is more about antelope population you might start with firearms permits. Getting an antelope with a bow is quite the challenge. I have only been successful 2 of the 5 years I have been archery hunting. With todays equipment and the wide open country firearms hunters have to be much more successful. Thanks for the opportunity to speak out. I hope to be able to keep coming back to South Dakota to archery hunt.
389	90% of hunters we see are non residents on public lands/walk in. Reduce their tag quota.

390	<p>The only good reason for change would be if pronghorn populations are being adversely affected. You don't report that as being the case, only hunter density concerns. I assume 2020 and 2021 likely each set records for number of licenses issued. Covid forced people to pursue new outdoor activities nationwide, all with record numbers of participants. Before any drastic changes are made to the current license structure, I propose you wait a few years to see if hunter numbers subside. In the area I've been hunting, pressure is quite low, and the hunt is very enjoyable with lots of pronghorns found on public and private lands, and landowners very amenable to allowing hunting. I assume most pressure is found in one far northwest County due to the amount of public land and your agency's reporting of hunter harvest and animal densities in that County. There is no reason hunters in any county should be restricted because of one county with excessive pressure. The only good reason for any restrictions are significant declines in animal populations. Thank you!</p>
391	<p>Antelope numbers are very low. There are very large patches of public land out west however I see very few antelope on these grounds. I am concerned not only with hunting pressure but also herd losses from poaching and landowners that get tired of fixing the bottom wire on fencing. The unlimited youth \$5 doe tags were also a huge mistake and a little too late with the buck only decision this year.</p>
392	<p>I think unlimited non res archery is a mistake. Should limit to 500 or amount that the herd and land can bear. Res archery should be unlimited still. Private land should not be restricted. Thanks</p>
393	<p>Statewide option is great, if you make people select it may lead to even more over crowding issues in the northeast section of the state. I like having an over the counter option available. Archery antelope is a great way to offer opportunity. If harvest is over objective, a mandatory harvest reporting and quota with shut down would be a better way to achieve this objective, similar to how many black bear and cougar seasons are run in other western states. Thanks for managing this resource to keep it available!</p>
394	<p>Make archery antelope a draw for non resident</p>
395	<p>Although I didn't hunt Pronghorn with archery equipment I have been in the western part of South Dakota the last two seasons along highway 85. I did notice an abundance of archery hunters on that corridor. I have also heard from other hunters who say there were too many hunters in the NW part of the state.</p>
396	<p>You need to limit non resident hunters. With limited public land it is insane that non residents have unlimited tags available.</p>
397	<p>I have been archery antelope hunting every season for the past 8 seasons in South Dakota. The hunting pressure overall has drastically increased, while the antelope numbers have seemed to drop off the face of the Earth. The days of seeing 5-10 different herds of antelope in a unit on public ground have disappeared. I feel like the non-resident pressure really shows its head early in the season and then drops off in September. The first two weeks, we are one of the only hunting seasons in the midwest that is open, so non-residents have taken advantage of that. We also give over the counter antelope tags at a heck of a discount compared to other states. I would venture to say non-residents are 90% of the time hunting public ground. I think a non-resident draw with a price increase may help relieve public land pressure. Archery antelope has been one of my favorite hunts every year, but I think even I would enjoy a draw system for residents as well until antelope numbers can increase back to a level that we can have unlimited tags. If we capped the archery tags at 1,000 total, non-resident and resident, it may increase the hunters experience. I hate to see the animal I love hunting disappearing from South Dakota. I think the buck only is a great idea and that we should stick to that for several years.</p>
398	<p>Keep public land public. Open accessibility within the state and to some landlocked areas (hopefully someday).</p>
399	<p>Sorry I'm of little help. I've never pulled a string.</p>

400	As a nonresident rifle antelope hunter, I feel the hunting experience is being degraded and the quality of animals will continue to decline with the overabundance of archery hunters taking far too many animals. As a result the firearms hunters are suffering because of the major reduction in available licences because of that fact. My home state of ND scrapped the unlimited archery permits for Resident and Non resident over 10 years ago, our herd is small in comparison to MT, WY, and even SD. The quality of animals taken has improved considerably as well as the quality of the hunting experience, with far less hunters in the field.\Hope to draw a pronghorn tag again in SD one day, it used to be a Great place to hunt pronghorn, I hope your biologists can get it figured out because the current management plan is a failure.\\Best regards, ##### #. #####
401	We need to limit the amount of nonresident archery hunters. Tags should not be over the counter for non-residents. They should be required to apply for preference points. Archery equipment is improving and success rates are rising because hunters have the ability to shoot up to 100 yards at their target if not over that. I understand that this could potentially hurt the outfitting business but we need to keep the mindset of future hunting at the forefront. Our antelope numbers are hurting worse than ever.
402	Would like to keep archery season open during rifle season. Also allow does to be harvested with archery tag.
403	I've noticed a very limited increase in the number of archery antelope hunters on the public access land that I've hunted for several years. I did notice a couple more hunters on the land or driving by in 2021, but it was not significant.
404	Restrictions for non residents is a must.
405	LEAVE THE RESIDENT TAGS ALONE! Eliminate the unlimited non resident tags. I have personally been out west hunting public land and have experienced a 15:1 ratio of non resident to resident hunters. I believe the fix should be that resident tags remain unlimited and that GFP should create a Special Archery Buck tag valid on private land only and make those tags unlimited. This would allow the landowners and outfitters to operate their businesses as normal. The non resident general archery tags should then be capped at 8% as they are for the rifle seasons. GFP could look at the previous years sales of resident tags and then allocate 8% of that number, example 2500 resident tags, 200 non resident tags. Tag prices should also increase to bring South Dakota more inline with other western states.
406	Don't allow out of state hunters and give South Dakota residents who reside here more opportunity.
407	I would like to have the same input for archery spring turkey season. The problem developing for too many archery antelope license being issued is the same problem Colorado and Wyoming now have with elk hunting. Way too many hunters on public land.\There must be a way to limit the license and still be able to hunt every 2 or 3 years.
408	Limit out of state hunters
409	My opinion is limit the amount of non resident archery hunters or remove it for a few years to help population. Also an idea would be to remove using artificial blinds for a time period to see if that has an impact on harvest success rates.
410	Once again a cap NEEDS to be in non resident tags. I understand that's where majority of revenue comes from but in the past 3 years across all non capped license with archery deer, antelope and in general turkey license the non resident is over running the state. Start doing a 10% cap on non resident tags for everything a non resident can purchase. This is being said since I also think antelope and turkey numbers are down.
411	I've seen high numbers and low numbers. I've actually never taken an antelope over many years of trying. I think the programs you have in place are good. There is not that much pressure on the antelope.
412	We need to cap nonresident archery Antelope licenses, this needs to be a percentage of the resident licenses sold. Residents need to be limited as well, this population is hurting bad. I am willing to give up a over the counter tag in order to get this population in check. We need better management and studies showing the success rate of this. Our equipment isn't getting anymore worse it's only getting better driving our success rate up. Overall limit the number of resident and non resident tags. This population won't survive at this rate.

413	Open up the grasslands to be driven on so more coyotes get shot. Also start flying for coyotes again. Coyotes are thicker then ever and mule deer and antelope populations are suffering. The grasslands unit has been closed for 12ish years and the population of antelope hasn't went up
414	Too many non residents on public land.
415	Too many nonresident hunters on public land.
416	What is the success rate for archery antelope? I suspect it is pretty low. Is the number of tags issued related to lower population densities (harvest rates) or are recent lower numbers of antelope due to other factors such as drought and low quality forage and severe hailstorms when fawns are little. In the last two years hunting on private land I have seen no current year fawns and I see lots of coyotes. This land gets almost no hunter pressure. Selfishly speaking, if animal numbers are low, residents should get most or all the tags. Isn't this the case for elk?
417	I don't archery hunt either antelope or deer so unless you change something with the rifle season, I don't know what the saturation of hunters is on public or private land in the archery area. Please don't sell more tags rifle or archery than we have animals to hunt like what happens with the double tags that kill off the deer and antelope herds. As a landowner I don't want to be overrun with wild animals but I still want to see them and hunt them when I choose.
418	disappointing in access/ dissappointed in system or management
419	Restrict licenses if the population is down in areas but otherwise keep it the same as it is.
420	If numbers are down the first to go should be nonresident hunters other states make it difficult to hunt nonresident and it's a walk in the park In South Dakota
421	I believe more resident hunters have private land to hunt, while most nonresidents are crawling all over the limited public land that we do have. I think limiting nonresident opportunity on public lands would be a good idea to lessen the pressure those areas receive, and make it a better experience for the people who do hunt public.
422	Way to many out of state guys hunting all public. It gets way to crowded. Maybe give residents two weeks before non residents can hunt on public. Same as deer
423	The number of nonresident hunters needs to be limited on public land, the number of nonresident hunters outnumber the residents by far!
424	Though archery hunting has advanced quite a bit in recent years, archery antelope is still a very challenging hunt. I'm grateful for the experience as a resident to get to hunt them each year. If you were to do something different for Non Residents: I would propose two archery tag options, 1st a generous quota of licenses that are open to all land ownerships (public and private) via lottery. With a 2nd option for unlimited private land only licenses. Of course only one license per person. I'm happy with the current availability of licenses to residents.
425	I think nonresident archery hunters need to be put on a draw basis and maybe held back a week or two to allow residents to have a weekend or two before nonresidents show up.
426	i do not like that the sd game and fish changed the archery antelope license from a any antelope to a buck only. a lot of things can go wrong when hunting with archery gear, antelope are herd animals. in the years before if you missed a buck but hit a doe by mistake you would just tag the doe but now your a criminal. I really really do not like this change
427	decrease the NR tags, they come out and shoot a mule deer and an antelope at the same time
428	I don't archery hunt but do rifle hunt antelope. Have for many years. I didn't draw a tag this year and wonder why people from out of the area draw tags.
429	I think the antelope population is down the last couple years. I think the antelope herd is in trouble. I think there should be a limited draw for non resident archery antelope hunters. I think there should be a increase in price on non resident archery antelope license

430	As an out-of-state antelope hunter, I love the flexibility you've allowed by having licenses available over the counter. It gives us a final option when we've failed to draw a license or licenses in other western states. I understand however that overcrowding might be or become a problem in some areas which is not good for anyone involved. Increasing license fees or limiting hunter numbers on public lands may be a necessary evil in order to keep the experience positive for all.
431	Gee guys in the history of hunting has any hunter ever said "sure wish there were more hunters on my favorite hunting ground"? Of course not, point being the questions are really poor and slanted to a particular view. Tags should get issued based on science and population surveys, period. Don't overreact to current trends which are driven almost exclusively on the popularity of hunting on social media. This too will pass, the sooner the better. The over commercialization of hunting will crash. For now a few very vocal resident hunters are mad that they have to share publicland. Do not overreact to that.
432	There needs to be a nonresident draw date for antelope. I believe we are the only state in the west that doesn't draw for archery antelope for both resident and nonresident licenses. Limit the number of available nonresident licenses as well as resident. Also make it buck only.
433	Well personally where I hunt there is very little walk-in or public land.. but with in a 4 mile radius the numbers are there. I had 6 or 7 different groups to hunt. But in the past few yrs the number of does I see with kids has gone down do to predators. I know you guys fly our families property and shoot as many as possible Which helps.
434	Thanks SDGFP!!!
435	Raise non resident price and keep the current OTC system.
436	I think the current system is fine. If you had to restrict the amount of hunters due to the number of antelope I would start with nonresident and restrict archery to bucks only until the numbers increase.
437	Leave Archery Antelope alone and start cutting down on the number of rifle hunters.
438	Consider allocating archery antelope licenses similar to how firearms antelope licenses are allocated.
439	We need to limit the amount of nonresident archery antelope licenses and make it a lottery drawing. See way more nonresident hunters than resident and they crowd public access that's trying to be hunted by residents. Way too dam many nonresident hunters!
440	Less non resident hunters please.
441	Last year, 2021, I drew west Harding buck/doe combo and hunted second week of firearm season. Glassed and hiked high spots to look but there were no antelope on public. I was unsuccessful and saw 3 bucks. Every piece of public had no resident archery deer hunters pushing game off public, like a lot of nonresidents.
442	Prices for non resident need to be increased
443	The survey didn't provide enough background to make informed logical choices. It brings many questions to mind "What is the driving force behind the survey? Has the current system directly caused a decline in the antelope population on public land? I do know "Hunting Antelope on private land is very expensive, Public lands make it possible for an average person to participate in the hunting heritage- resident/non resident alike" I do not believe public land is over saturated with archery antelope hunters.
444	Archery antelope would be significantly better if landowners were more open to letting archery hunters on their land. Nothing GFP or hunters can do about this other than asking permission. It is what it is.
445	I feel we need to up the non resident price and make it a lottery drawing. It shouldn't be so easy for non residents to get a tag and hunt all of our public ground
446	SD needs to get rid of the OTC availability for non residents because we don't treat our wildlife or natural areas as a very sought after place, but simply a landing place for those passing through or people who weren't successful in their actual destinations. This brings too many more people who have goals of simply killing whatever they can and we need a balance of "meat" and "trophy" hunters. Also, the draw needs to be much earlier so nonresidents have to make choices to apply for SD or not and not just use our resources as a backup plan.

447	The majority of the antelope hunters I have encountered have been from out of state. If you hadn't told me the actual number of licenses I would have said that you issue more out of state tags than in state! This has been in both Buffalo and Fall River counties.
448	I think that unlimited archery tags for residents of SD is a great perk of being a resident of the state and that due to the relatively low harvest percentages (less than 30% for the past ten seasons) of these hunts, that it is a completely sustainable licensing option for residents only. While resident tags have increased two-fold over the last ten years, non-resident tags have quadrupled and the application statistics show that it will continue to rise. With the current state of the pronghorn herds and the slowly deteriorating status of the herds over the last ten years, I think it makes the most sense to limit the non-resident tags to a limited draw. Additionally, \$286 for a non-resident tag is about \$100 less than the median price for non-resident permits in other western states that are already on a limited draw for non-residents. With the unlimited applications and relatively low license cost, SD is too good of an opportunity to pass up on for non-resident pronghorn hunters. A limited draw and higher tag price (to recoup some of the incurred losses of removing the unlimited tag) would be on par with the other surrounding states. Thanks!
449	Resident only maybe? If not: Highly recommend increasing price for all species nonresident licenses as comparable to other states. Double or triple the cost of nonresident licenses. Start managing species for the health of the herd and stop thinking about total revenue. Pheasant and pronghorn populations and opportunities on public land is WAY down. Public land hunters are in opposition to current practice of catering to outfitters and special interests. It should not be a pay to play and access opportunities for public hunting should be available for future generations. Current approach to management is not sustainable to make this a reality.
450	Way too many nonresident archery antelope hunters. Remove nonresident tags completely, reduce number of resident tags and go to a lottery system. We simply do not have the antelope numbers like Wyoming, Montana, or Colorado.
451	I do not think having access units is going to help, that is only going to displace hunters to other areas. It would wreck what little good antelope hunting there is for those of us who are willing to search for it. Should look at forgetting about the money and reduce tags to what the population dictates. With advances in bows everyone is becoming an archery hunter and taking too long of shots and resulting in a large number of wounded animals. I archery hunt antelope almost every year but would gladly be limited to a draw if it would increase the quality of hunt.
452	Antelope numbers fluctuate more from weather conditions than hunting pressure so I don't think limiting archery antelope hunters (resident or non resident) will have a big impact on the antelope population.
453	The resident licenses should stay the way it is but the nonresidents should go to a draw and should have a limit for specific regions.
454	Need to limit nonresident tags like all the other states do.
455	The last few seasons archery antelope season has become a zoo. It is becoming increasingly difficult with the amount of pressure on publicly accessible land. It would be nice to see some changes to limit some of the pressure.
456	Over last 6 years have not experienced any perceptible change in hunters in the field during our hunts on open lands. It has continued to be a very high quality, low competition hunt.
457	Stop allowing so many doe tags.
458	This year was good to see the tags changed from any antelope to any buck. The only issue I currently see is the high # of nonresident tags. Nonresidents accounted for 29% of tags allocated in 2021. Placing a cap, something similar to the rifle tag proposal that was seen a few months back would be nice to see. In my opinion placing a cap would help with the hunt quality here in South Dakota.
459	The NW corner of SD has gotten so many out of state hunters that it isn't enjoyable to archery hunt it any more.

460	There needs to be more public ground with sustainable habitat. A lot of public ground is over grazed and useless for the outdoorsman. Perhaps the increased revenue from all the tag sales could go towards increasing the opportunity instead of decreasing it?
461	Cost for nonresident licenses need to double. Nonresident permits are to inexpensive. Also need to limit nonresident tags. \\I skipped archery antelope hunting this year because of the hunting pressure. Way to many out of state license plates hunting the limited public land that hold antelope. I understand GFP likes the revenue, but something has to change. This view also stands for archery deer as well. Way to many nonresident hunters pressuring public lands.
462	please lower the amount of nonresident licenses
463	Because antelope more around a lot need to have the opportunity to move with them
464	I hunt all public walk in access, BLM, etc. I appreciate not having to draw and being able to know I will get a tag. I hunted 2019 and 2022 seasons. While I saw more hunters, most don't get more than 100 yards off the road, so hunter density didn't seem to bother the antelope.\\Thanks for all your work and providing lots of hunting opportunities for non residents.
465	The population was already low and was not a very good hunt in 2021. Could be why hunters are complaining. There is plenty of room for that many archers. If anything, limit the nonresidents. I have hunted that archery season for many years. It is a good deal
466	Make nonresident archery antelope tags a draw, rather than OTC. Cap the number of nonresident archery antelope tags, I donâ€™t have a number in mind
467	There are plenty of archery antelope hunters lâ€™ve seen in the 4-5 years hunting archery antelope. I would like to see more in state hunter than out of state hunters have access to our SD benefits. We hunt 2-3 days during the week and 2-3 days of the weekend and it gets to be pretty crowded come Friday afternoon in Harding county. We see quite a few out of state hunters. On another note I think there are quite a few unethical archery hunters. 2 years ago we brought home 7 antelope rifle hunting and 5 of them had been hit previously and had to discard atleast 5 quarters of meat. Thatâ€™s archery hunting, however the wounds were not even close to the vitals. Just commenting on the past couple years as lâ€™ve been hunting the western counties since the late 80â€™s and have seen a lot.
468	I would say to keep your license sales up, which I think is a great option. think about limiting a license to only be good for 1 week of the season, (maybe this option could be applied to WIA or public, private land could be the whole season) you could keep the number of hunters but limit the time we spend in the field, those that like waterhole hunting would pick an early license, those that prefer decoy hunting, or cooler weather would more than likely hunt later. \\That way you could keep your revenue to pay for the WAI which is a great program.
469	Similar to my response for the deer survey. We are one of the last states to allow "unlimited over the counter tags" and they come at a steal of a price. Why are we so good to non-residents all while their state does not treat SD residents the same. Other states non-resident tags (even for archery) are on a draw system and are a fortune. Yes I understand that it brings in a lot of money, but it's the SD tax payer that truly funds most of the system. Do a limited non-resident draw of 300-400 tags and charge \$300-\$400. \\GFP is concerned about the doe and fawn population. I have been out hunting antelope for 6 full days this season in Fall River and Butte counties and the antelope populations are FLOURISHING with fawns and does. This year is the first year that it is a buck only tag. I'm all for fair chase and protection of the breeding stock, but archery antelope success rate is so low as is. Make the archery tags "any antelope" and keep rifle tags as buck only. It is a feat to even get in to archery range of an antelope, buck or doe.
470	When I was in Harding county over archery opener last year, the county seemed over ran with non resident antelope hunters. They were everywhere. I think that limiting and/or distributing non-resident pressure would better allow residents to use OUR game resources
471	Increase the license fee for out of state license

472	With the current amount of archery antelope hunters antelope are being pressured for 3 months straight. There are too many archery hunters and with the advancements in archery technology I believe it has made archery hunting easier and people are now able to make further shots. Limiting the archery tags to buck only was a nice effort to limit the amount of archery antelope that are being harvested but I believe any antelope with horns is being pursued and harvesting too many bucks. I have seen the quality of bucks in the portion of the state drop. I contributed this to both archery and rifle hunting. Too many tags for both.
473	Numbers should stay same with restrictions only coming by the time that they buy the tag (if not purchased by a specific date they will be private land only) \\Do not reduce number of tags but increase NR fees\\Make them purchase small game to purchase a big game tag \\Be need a balance of NR and Resident tags to pay for things. \\If you would get your rifle tag figured out for both Res and NR we would have plenty of money and plenty of animals to hunt. \\You guys continue to piss things down your leg and over the last 4 -6 years SDGFP has gone from an organization that I was dam proud of and bagged to NR about to changing a conversation to zebra mussels..and how well thatâ€™s going. \\I actually hate filling these out as the GFP twist the Info collected and resulted in Chage of rifle tag draws and mismanagement. The current admin is out for big money and not the Resident hunter. \\Honestly try and tell a father of 4 in todays world to afford and get access for their kids to hunt â€ your orgs plan to bring the next gen into hunting isnâ€™t here. And within a few more short years Resident tags will be \$100 each pushing any average Joe out.
474	The only reason the archery hunters are going up in number is because they get a tag unlike firearm hunters. There ainâ€™t no legal way on public land that they filling there archery tags. The state of SD cares more about making money than managing wildlife.
475	Leave it alone!!!
476	Limit nonres and start a draw
477	I have been hunting the same buck all season and have had out of state hunters intentionally interfere in my hunt while mid stalk. A grey chevy pickup with New York plates with 2 archery hunters. A silver Ford with a Nebraska archery hunter and a black truck with Missouri plates. I have not seen any resident hunters but have been anywhere from 96 yards to 27 yards from my target buck while getting interference from non-resident archery hunters.
478	Access is a pain, landlocked parcels may as well be on the moon.
479	Way too many NR hunters in the NW corner. We need NR limited quota Archery licenses done by county.
480	Ideally I believe it should move to a draw system and have buck and doe tags available. SD is becoming one of the only remaining OTC states for antelope causing increased harvest. It should a county specific unit and be a draw system with landowner preference similar to the rifle system.
481	Once again this should be based on the population of the antelope. Taking hunter opinion is not a proper practice in managing animals.
482	As a nonresident hunting your state I believe if you keep changing everything you will have less people hunting your state including me.
483	Every time Iâ€™ve gone out west archery hunting 9 out of 10 vehicles we are hunting are out of staters. I donâ€™t understand how they have unlimited access to tags and how they only pay 120\$ a tag. But if I was to go out of state to Colorado or Wyoming I have to have preference points and pay 300-500 for a tag. I know â€œout of staters bring a lot of money inâ€• but I think they need to be restricted more and pay more money. The systems not right now and needs to be fixed.
484	It seems that most of the antelope are taken during the rifle season. I think thatâ€™s where your issues are. Shorten that season and eliminate the any antelope tags till the heard comes back
485	If we are reducing the amount of tags and buck only we should greatly reduce the out of state tags. If we donâ€™t have enough tags for our own residents we should t be allowing that many nonresident tags

486	Please limit the number of non-resident archery antelope tags. Create a draw for non-residents and increase the cost of those tags. Non-residents will pay more for out of state hunting trips just like SD residents will when traveling to other states for various hunting opportunities. I'd suggest keeping the tag availability the same for residents but maybe begin using preference points for access permits for over-pressured areas. I'd also suggest keeping the Buck Only tag for archery and rifle antelope indefinitely.
487	Need more public ground
488	Allow archery antelope hunting during the firearm antelope season while restricting the use of decoys by archers during this time and also requiring archers to wear blaze orange. Enact a lottery draw for non resident archery antelope permits.
489	Restrict non-resident hunters to bucks only, within a certain size class, on private land and develop more antelope populations east river by actively reintroducing and managing multiple significant herds east of highway 281.
490	Need to limit the non resident hunter. It's an invasion, and not enough animals right now to maintain a growing and healthy herd.
491	The state and tribe are both issuing tags where I live. There's too many tags being sold.
492	I think there needs to be better ways to get to some public land that is land locked seems like a waste of tax payer money if it can't be accessed why would it be public.
493	Everybody should have an opportunity to hunt antelope or deer. I think each hunter should get to choose archery or rifle but not both.
494	By the time rifle antelope season is upon us the biggest bucks have been harvested by untrained archers. Either wounded by unrealistic shit takers and/or harvested. Either way they are mostly dead. If I want a chance at a trophy I need put more time into archery I guess. I meet so many people bragging about 80 yard shots and the big one they killed. But they never tell me of the multiples they wounded. The modern bow and arrow might as well be a rifle. And those archers deplete the resource for anyone who follows. Especially on public land!
495	Due to cheap out of state license fees and unlimited archery tags SD is drawing a proportional amount of out of state hunters
496	The success rate for archery hunting has increased with the tools that are available now days. "Primitive weapons" aren't all that primitive anymore but tag availability and season lengths haven't been adjusted accordingly.
497	I'm a guide and outfitter in SD.. i do see a ton on non residents driving around in Harding county from MN, WI, TX, WV, MI and elsewhere.. we have a pretty special resource and next year i have hunters coming from Canada and Finland as well as PA and NY.. i think the only thing to discuss is the trespassing on private lands versus walkin.. many hunters come with thoughts that if ground is not marked its huntable.. some states have paint a tree or a post purple and its considered posted.. this would be more economical than buying posted signs
498	It does seem like there was a ton more nonresident archery antelope hunters around this year than resident on public land. We were in Harding and I believe we only saw a couple of SD license plates at public lands. I would say 70% or more were from out of state. I'm not sure how to combat this, maybe raise tag prices and/or make it a lottery for archery nonresident could work. I think the same could apply to nonresident archery deer tags as well.

499	Simply make all antelope hunters draw for an antelope tag for a particular unit. Then allow those tags to be hunters choice, meaning the hunter could choose to fill the tag via archery during the archery season or via rifle during the rifle season. Biologically it makes sense because gfp could issue a specific number of tags for a specific unit and there would be a higher chance of it being filled because a hunter could choose to use more weapons during more seasons to fill that individual tag. All hunters would be happy because it would increase number of tags available per unit, and hunters would get to choose what weapon, season, dates they wanted to fill their tag. If you stick with current distinction between archery and rifle tags, then please add an additional season for muzzleloaders. Inevitably I have zero faith gfp will make any significant changes (I used to work for the dept and management didn't want my opinions then so I'm sure they don't want my opinions now). This whole survey the public for their opinion is nothing more than for show.
500	Public lands in western South Dakota see a ton of pressure from antelope hunters, South Dakota should raise prices for tags and limit out of state hunters like many other states do.
501	Limit non-resident hunters first and foremost regardless of the increased income their tag purchase generates.
502	I think the archery hunting pressure on antelope is coming close to no longer being sustainable. I think it is time to make archery licenses limited draw for specific hunting units.
503	If hunting private land only, leave accessibility alone as the issue may be only on public land. I hunt a large tract of private land with my don and we are the only two bow hunters on it. We have occasionally hunted walk in land and there may be an option to cap the number of licenses available each year on public land. I think most ranchers don't allow over access at all and many allow no or very minimal access anyway. Why if I restrict myself to private land should I be required to go to a draw system statewide??
504	I hope the gf&p are watching the fire danger
505	I have not archery hunted antelope in South Dakota. I have rifle hunted antelope after drawing with 5 preference points. I would like to see continuing to offer statewide archery options for non-residents as it currently is. The increased numbers in 2021 is common nation wide due to COVID-19 and I feel the department should make comparisons for a few years as things settle to see if the trend will continue or drop back to previous levels.
506	Non-resident tag numbers should be limited or put to a draw.
507	I don't live close so for the last few years I had a license but didn't get a chance to travel out to hunt. \Question. Of the increase how many are new residents? How many are students? \Still I'd advocate that SD stop promoting the sport. Also the outfitters (money) has ruined hunting for most people BUT it has been very good for a few. If I had that kind of disposable income perhaps I'd feel differently. But I see good ground pulled from walk in and in some instances I see it snapped up by outfitters. \Do a lottery draw for antelope. Limited resource limited access. Do a lotery. \Limit number of nonresidents and up tag fee. \I know they pay more and some see them as a better asset for tourism revenue. I say BS. I pay my property and Sales Tax in SD. I pay a lot and those visitors don't. So please stop being a doormat to outfitters & out of state hunters. \The 'good old days' for hunting are over. The economic impact is going to stay static for a very long time at this point.
508	Sd's unlimited archery license availability for non-residents is becoming a serious pressure issue for public lands antelope herds. Non residents have flocked to sd as the farthest east state with unregulated licenses over the counter. we are the only state going about out of state hunting in this fashion and our opportunities are being diminished on public lands from all the non res pressure. Antelope and deer numbers in public land areas are being severely affected negatively by ever increasing nonresident hunting. please start managing the resource for the animals instead of GFP funding considerations.

509	I would also like to see a set date like Wyoming does Aug 15th, I don't say this is fair but SD does it with pheasants and deer already as residents we get first crack at critters then nonresident get to hunt even if nonresidents can't hunt the first 2 weeks of archery antelope they still have a more than generous amount of time! I did not even see a SD resident hunting on opener and the animals were well pressured it seemed b4 opening day other than that there I would always like to see my tag as a OTC it's already hard enough to draw tags out west (elk,Black Hills Deer etc)
510	My interaction with other hunters on public land during archery antelope has been very low. I feel there are those resident hunters who are the squeaky wheels would only be happy with no one else hunting anywhere.
511	Allow hunters over 65 to use a crossbow.
512	Way too many out of state hunters due to unlimited tags.
513	Make tags buck only. Take away nonresident tags. Protect the herd for the people of South Dakota.
514	None
515	Too many out of state hunters take over the public land and push the animals onto private land. There needs to be a limit to out of state licenses. Turn it into a draw with the same amount of licenses available as there are in the rifle draw and restrict them to the county they draw. There also needs to be a significant increase in price of the nonresident licenses.
516	I have been going for 2 years and I did not compete with a bunch of other hunters on public ground.
517	Antelope hunting in south Dakota is a great opportunity to explore and experience the state. Being from North Dakota it is a pleasure and privilege to be able to purchase a tag OTC. I am thankful for the opportunity. I enjoy the ability come down to hunt and visit the area.
518	Leave the number of resident antelope hunters be, it's only doubled. Look at the non-resident number that's 4x as high and cut that back in half. Then come back in a few years to see where we're at.
519	Covid got people outside again and probably caused interruptions in peoples vacation plans, so they went hunting, and hunted more. I wonder if the increase we're seeing is the top of the bell curve.
520	Raise the ridiculously inexpensive non resident archery tags across the board
521	N/A
522	Continue to use hunter survey to evaluate number of antelope harvested, # of days hunter, etc. See what % of hunters who purchased an archery tag actually hunted during the archery season. Perhaps purchase numbers went up due to accessibility of tags, but actual hunter numbers in the field, for one reason or another, didn't rise as much as license numbers did.
523	Something like what is done for nonresident deer could be considered - that is, make non-residents who want to hunt public land put in by April. This would rule out the people who last minute decide to come to SD after they don't draw other tags.
524	no more than 8% non-residents in ANY season
525	We have private land bordered on two sides by public land. It is along a county road so we have hunters driving on the road and stopping to look and waiting for the antelope to leave our land and go on the public land. I know there is nothing I can do but still upsets me to put it mildly.
526	Decreased numbers of antelope and increased numbers of hunters is causing problems between hunters and land owners. With the large decrease in antelope numbers, the season should be closed for everyone for a few years in order to allow the herd to recover. I would rather wait a few years and have great hunting opportunities, then hunt every year for decreased numbers with growing pressure.
527	Over the past 3-5 years I have hunted antelope via archery and on both public and private and I have never bumped into another hunter. I have hunted the peak of the rut for the past 3 seasons.
528	Popular public land areas in certain areas of the state have become so highly pressured that it seems only right to put some sort of system in place to reduce the number of hunters in those areas and disperse the hunting pressure more evenly across the unit

529	877 non-resident antelope licenses is a fairly small number, given the vast nature of the Buffalo Gap National Grassland (nearly 600,000 acres). That's about 1 non-resident hunter for every 684 acres. The acreage available increases if you count other public areas and private land that provides permission. Don't limit tags - just increase the price so it reflects that value of the game animal. Wyoming charges \$326; Colorado charges \$420, but includes a fishing license, and the list continues. It seems like residents are complaining and want the GFP to regulate the quality of their experience, which is effected less by non-residents and more by skill and commitment.
530	Too many non-resident antelope hunters. Need to decrease the licenses, especially with the antelope population in decline, and the limited amount of public land that has antelope herds.
531	Last year sd resident got all the tag and destroyed the herd. And non resident got hardly any tags same as this year. Where I hunt only 3 tags. Bs. What we pay for tags there should be more for non resident and cut the resident tags. If and when I draw a tag it will be my last. I'm to old and probably won't draw in my life time anymore. Also any rancher receiving any substance from government there land is open for public hunting. Also they are blocking roads to public and needs to be open for access. Bs. Blocked with fences power pole's so you can't access. This needs to be addressed
532	I love hunting south dakota and the biggest draw for me in the state is the ovsr the counter tags. If you go to a draw system i would prob visit south dakota alot less.
533	I don't believe any non resident hunters should be allowed for antelope or deer
534	Make antelope tags the same as Wyoming, tags valid for archery and gun season. Have dates to allow archery harvest and then close it for rifle season. And do herd counts every year like Wyoming. Not every 3.
535	While certain areas had higher hunter densities, we were able to find areas with little to no pressure.
536	As a nonresident I would be open to restricting hunters to less that a statewide area in order to manage pressure in certain areas whether that would be by regions or access permits. I would suggest that any access permits be open to drawing prior to the requirement of purchasing a tag so south dakota does not end up like Montana's deer and elk draw. \As much as it would negatively impact me I would even be open to limiting nonresident archery tags though they are pretty low already. What I would be most opposed to would be limiting the opportunity of a tag holder because they are a nonresident. Particularly when those restrictions are placed on Federal public land. Opportunities once a tag is draw should be a level playing field with the exception of using state owned land for the benefit of its residents.
537	Too many ##### people! Within the last few years it has become the rifle season! So many people that the pronghorn run when a vehicle slows, not stops! Another thing that chaps my ### is calling the pronghorn "antelope". I realize that it's in their scientific name but they ARE NOT Antelope!!!!
538	Doesn't help these bozos are cawing about how easy it is to get a tag all over YouTube @thehuntingpublic
539	Too many antelope hunters. With the herd numbers not even anywhere close to the goal, there should be no reason nonresidents can buy over the counter archery tags when states with far more antelope don't even allow this.
540	Limit the tags provided to hard hit units and greatly decrease the non-resident opportunities for those same units as well. Would prefer if non-residents had a draw system for tags while residents could still obtain the state wide tags with some units requiring a drawn access permit.
541	Na
542	Do. Not. Mess. With. Archery. Tags. Archery equipment is hard hunting and the only way to guarantee tags for this of us who like to hunt! The reason we're in this great state!
543	For all seasons the number of people hunting public lands seemed to increase. Seen more non resident hunters on public then deer or antelope.

544	I feel archery antelope is extremely hard and I believe the success rate is very low. Having said that in my personal opinion, when I drive through the western part of the state I do not see nearing as many antelope as I did before the last big blizzard in October back in 2010. The numbers just haven't rebound. Archery can be left alone. Rifle is where the tags need to be scaled back to get the numbers up just a little. I know in some areas ranchers want the numbers reduced yet but as a sportsman let us control the population by being more strategic with rifle tags.
545	Decrease the number of non resident tags if there are leftovers then give them to non resident hunters or get rid of non resident hunters all together they don't pay taxes in this state and there is too much competition for resident hunters
546	Limit the use of horses for decoying/stalking up on antelope to discourage this practice from growing. I feel like it leads to more and longer shots being taken and the increase in harvest numbers.
547	I quit hunting antelope due to the number of out of state hunters and do not plan to waste more time and money trying to hunt antelope when the out of state hunters screwed up more than half of my stalks or set ups the last two years I hunted. I used to think we were blessed with the amount of pressure we did not have. now it's a curse. same thing with archery deer hunting...I now am relegated to a few small private areas to hunt archery deer due to the influx of out of state hunters flooding into, what used to be, very good public areas, which are struggling to remain mediocre. not impressed.
548	I believe Non-Resident archery tags should be limited draw lottery while Resident tags can remain unlimited. This seems to be consistent with neighboring states. In my experience, strictly on Public Lands, I see more pressure by out of state hunters whom do not respect the land in the same way that South Dakota hunters do because it is not their "backyard". I believe out of state hunters should still have archery opportunities in our great State, however, be more controlled and limited. Western style archery hunting has become and will continue to become more popular as it is promoted on youtube and other social media outlets.
549	Too many non resident hunters tags given out
550	I would like to see the option of getting more than one tag.
551	I live in western SD and would say I have not noticed a high amount of pressure for archery hunting with either deer or antelope. If you're willing to go more than 50 feet off the side of the road you pretty much have the place to yourself.
552	Public land access is the only way I have hunted for 10+ years. Access to these areas with the amount of tags that are available now are the only way I, along with my husband are able to hunt.
553	Keep the doe tags away. I think that's a good start. We don't need people harvesting does until the population is back to where it should be. I think archery hunting goats is pretty tough, and I would hate to lose the opportunity at a bow tag. From what I have seen on social media, and I also agree with it, we should treat our residents first before non-residents. Make the non-resident goat tags an auction or bid. I live east river, and spend thousands of in state dollars every year just traveling out west. I don't feel like I should lose the opportunity at a tag because someone from another state wants to come and hunt one weekend out of the year. Obviously times are tough, but you have to take care of your own first. The other idea could be better counts in each county. Last year alone there were 150 antelope tags in North Perkins. I drove through the whole county and I don't think it's possible that there were 150 mature goats available to harvest. What if there was a way for landowners to sell the tags like there is in other states? I don't know much about that, and it would have to be regulated pretty hard, but most of the antelope stay on the same quarter of land 75% of the year unless they are pushed out. Give out tags to pieces of land that have goats. I was in Perkins county September 3-5 and noticed the numbers were roughly the same as last year.
554	Archery antelope should be a limited draw for each specific area just like the firearms season. This will eliminate the over harvest in high density populations.
555	Should leave archery antelope. A buck only tag.

556	Not a preference point, only a random draw. I don't care how the resident draw is, let them have all the unlimited they want for now, but for non-resident (which I am) if we draw and are successful, we have to wait 1 year before they can apply again. If they are unsuccessful, then they can re-apply again the following year. I would say the same goes for resident draw as well if they are hunting on public land only if there starts to be more hunters in the prairie.
557	South Dakota archery antelope is a unique opportunity that we are fortunate enough to be able to have access to. I believe the only issue we have is the surge in out of state interest due to social media. I would suggest increased fees for out of state licenses or to change it to match our out of state deer draw where there is a limited time an out of stater can apply and get the tag or require the out of staters to have a short one week period during opener and one week leading up to rifle during the rut to hunt. I would like to see resident archery remain unchanged. \\Thanks
558	If you must regulate archery permits by zone, please consider doing it by opening date rather than by a cap on total permits. This could be accomplished in a simple manner for archery by granting the first 50 or so applicants the earliest opening date and the next 50 5 days later and unlimited tags 10 days later for each zone. All licenses would be valid to the end of the season except during firearms season. This would enhance hunter experience by reducing the opening day mob scene along with reducing the chances of shooting an antelope that has been running, ruining the taste. This would simplify the application as well, eliminating the need for choosing first and second choices and applying for several different draw dates. There would be no need for groups either, since they could all go together when all the members tags became valid, and/or separately when each person's tag became valid. \\Super simple:\\1. Apply for a zone.\\2. Start from the date marked on the tag. \\3. Enjoy the experience and tasty meat.
559	Way way way too many archery antelope hunters given the number of antelope in the state. For the amount of quality antelope habitat we have our numbers are not good. please reduce the number of available tags. I support a draw for archery antelope for both residents and non residents with different units available. Also create some trophy management areas \\\\Additionally look at doing the same for mule deer. We are one of the only states that are otc. Reduce the number of available non resident tags, make archery mule deer a draw for both residents and non residents and allow non residents to archery hunt Sept 1 where the odds of harvesting a mature deer is higher. Also create some trophy archery mule deer draw areas like the 35L but lower the allocation the number is way to high
560	Antelope populations as far as I can tell have taken a huge hit in South Dakota the last 3 years. It is really disappointing to see the barren landscapes that have resulted from poor management on SDGFP part in my opinion. I think that rather than "access permits" we should just move away from a guaranteed archery tag and make it a lottery just the same as rifle seasons.
561	Enjoyed the opportunity to hunt antelope in SD and did not feel that any changes need to be made, In the area we were hunting there did not seem to be an over abundance of hunting pressure at all.
562	The price of a non-resident archery antelope tag needs to increase to be more in line with what the other neighboring States are charging.
563	No doe tags or have to draw for doe tags
564	Nonresident antelope tags should be removed completely. As a taxpaying resident that has applied for an antelope tag for 4 years in a row without being selected I don't believe that allowing nonresidents unlimited tags makes any sense or sits well with me as well. Obviously, if it is this difficult for residents to draw tags than the current population does not support nonresidents hunting access.
565	I would support a cap on the number of nonresident archery Antelope permits to keep hunting pressure and harvest numbers in line with the number of the Antelope population during a given season. I feel this would be the best way to preserve your great Antelope hunting opportunity for future generations and for todays hunters alike.
566	Too many rifle tags has ruined all antelope hunting

567	Over the past 8 years I have noticed antelope numbers decrease. I would like to see a decrease in pressure but I fear residents will be affected at the same time or prior to non resident hunters. I would suggest a limit on non resident hunting before making changes to any resident hunting options. Also a potential increase in cost for non resident fees. We are the closest state for any non resident coming from the east for archery antelope opportunities and also close to the cheapest.
568	I archery hunt antelope every year in a public area that sees a few other archery antelope hunters. I end up competing more with resident archery deer hunters during that season who are not going after the same specifics, but are impacting the pressure on the animal making them more challenging to hunt. \It is my opinion that the department needs to be implementing changes based on science and biological impacts on the species for the betterment of the species.
569	Iâ€™ve hunted the same area since 2010. In that time I have only seen a small increase in the number of hunters since I started. However the the number of antelope in the area is dramatically less. And has decreased every year since 2012. \I decided not to antelope hunt this year because the numbers were so low.
570	It could just be where and how I hunt. But I never run into other archery antelope hunters
571	i only hunted antelope one year on private ground. Been out a couple years on whitetail/mulie/archery deer and seen decent numbers of antelope -harding county. i would protect your resources by limiting out of state hunters, both archery/rifle. im from Wisconsin and we can see 1st hand along with DNR screwups, on what it does to our states hunting! You have a good thing- protect it! Your locals can only provide you the best survey as they see day in/out on whats going on...their opinion matters most!...thank you
572	I have never hunted there during archery season so I don't have a lot of skin in the game. I do think in the units with lots of public access you need to limit hunters but in the private dominated landscape the private property should limit the hunters.
573	Leave it the way it is.
574	Provide opportunities for residents first then non-residents. Donâ€™t make this a money making issue.
575	I am in favor of restricting the number of resident and nonresident archery permits in order to ensure a healthy pronghorn population. I am also willing to pay more for my tag.
576	Letâ€™s be honest. The number of antelope available is significantly lower in numbers in the past 5 years. Itâ€™s time to do something to get the numbers back up. This year we went to bucks only and the numbers are down by area. Thatâ€™s a change but not enough. The number of archery tags should be limited by area at a minimum and harvest data should be screened more completely for wounded numbers. I would like to say that most hunters are honest and only shoot good shots but that is not what I have seen.
577	Archery Antelope is no easy task. Look at the kill statistics. Keep it buck only until numbers start increasing. If you feel the need to limit tags start with cutting down on the rifle season.
578	I only hunt antelope with a firearm so I donâ€™t have a lot of experience in Archery antelope but from what I can tell it seems that the availability of tags and the fact that they are valid for any unit seems a bit much. I would recommend the use of smaller units for archery hunting and maybe combine multiple firearm units to make up a archery unit. However itâ€™s deemed best but just that they would be smaller units than they currently are.
579	Make nonresident a draw. Not automatic. While the money is good for the state, our animal populations donâ€™t support the same amount of permits that they used to
580	This is a limited resource and should be managed scientifically by managing the number of hunters. The quality of South Dakotaâ€™s antelope has severely declined right along with the quality of the hunting experience.
581	The antelope population is impacted more by rifle hunters than archery hunters. The department needs to stop causing large population declines by over harvesting does. Harding county had a healthy population of antelope previously. Last year in an area we would typically see 100 antelope we only saw 7.
582	Don't hunt them so I have no opinion

583	I believe this influx in hunters is due strictly from COVID 19 and the inability to travel to Canada where a lot of people spent their vacation time hunting and fishing... NO one bear, moose, deer, or elk hunting hunting, or fishing, in Canada added a lot of people to the mix that would ordinarily not be there. I camp quite a bit and see the same increase in participation in the national parks as well. I believe this is a temporary thing and hunter participation will drop back down to around pre-pandemic numbers once things get back to normal in a year or so. Restricting participation now because of a once in a lifetime situation would be a knee-jerk reaction to a temporary situation. Please consider waiting another 2 years to see what the numbers show before making a decision that will impact the future of hunting. \Thanks - #### #####
584	South Dakota is one of the only states where a nonresidents can purchase unlimited OTC archery antelope tags. Being an archery hunter myself, I really enjoy being able to purchase an archery tag any year that I want to archery hunt without a concern for preference points or limited draws. Unfortunately the time may have come that the number of hunters and the number of animals and access to hunt them are at the point where limited tags may be a requirement. The real factor will be an accurate harvest estimate on archery success. If the harvest statistics are low, then perhaps tag quotas may not be required yet.
585	Perhaps it is time to restrict the number of NR archery antelope hunters?
586	Thereâ€™s too many nonresident hunters on public land.
587	Make non resident apply for limited archery draw
588	With a 30% decline in numbers cut the tags back before we have a serious problem on the states antelope numbers.
589	consider resident/non-resident landowner archery antelope tag
590	The idea of unlimited tags for anyone, resident or non resident is insane. This issue should have been handled years ago. It is time for South Dakota to get with the program and start limiting tags to non residents. Why are we catering to them while there are residents who are having less opportunity and poor quality hunting in the state they live in? RESIDENT PREFERENCE.
591	It seems like there are 3 or 4 non-resident hunters to every resident.
592	Limit non-residents tags to a draw system based on preference points. \\Keep the tags at buck only until the heard rebounds from the past couple of harsh years.
593	I would like for the non resident Archery pronghorn licenses be limited more then they currently are .. I would like for them to go to a draw similar to how our non resident waterfowl licenses are done
594	South Dakota allows for too many archery tags to be sold over the counter to nonresident bow hunters. Theyâ€™re should be a restricted number done by draw just like rifle tags. With numbers so low, I find it hard to get away from the crowd while pursuing pronghorn. Iâ€™ve seen more out of state license plates than resident. Itâ€™s becoming unfair to those in staters trying to fill a tag on public ground.
595	I am a non resident and did not hunt the last 2 years\\Please keep the non resident options open and mange the public density issues through time slot permits\\Private land owners can manage as they see fit\\Thank you
596	Be nice to have maybe some archery only public hunting, bc it was so difficult to stalk decoy hunt, and most of all get within 100 yards of them
597	Would like to see OTC option for non resident friends. Limited tags available of course on first come, first serve basis.
598	Nonresident tags must be limited draw
599	More incentive for private landowners to offer access to private land that holds huntable populations of antelope.\\Maybe offer a lower cost doe/fawn option when antelope populations are high. Similar to rifle hunting.
600	I feel that the the solution is to the amount of public land hunters is to have access permits for those public areas and have those as a lottery system but still allow the unlimited amount of sales as the success rate is low with archery and this sti allows hunters to hunt private land
601	I would like to see the either sex antelope tag again. Maybe that would be an option if we did zone hunting areas. Where you could maintain a state wide tag but only certain areas allow either sex.

602	Harvest percentage should be part of the equation to establish number of licenses given
603	I would be okay with limited entry licenses to improve hunting quality and limited hunter pressure
604	While harvest isn't too high for archery antelope hunters I do feel this could be a problem as more and more hunters participate. I think somehow limiting licenses would be a prudent course of action. Weather that is through a draw OR through limiting licenses in certain units to distribute the pressure... Antelope populations seem to be sensitive to harsh winters and drought conditions so getting some control on archery harvest would also benefit and provide additional stability to the number of rifle licenses available as well.
605	Too many nonresident hunters that are inconsiderate about other hunters.
606	To many hunters and the success rate is way higher than what is being told to you guys. of the 16 guys i know hunting antelope this year 14 have filled so far.
607	To many people are hunting public and harvesting non-Mature antelope. So I'm seeing a big decrease in mature antelope because they are being harvested at an non-mature age.
608	Make it a draw! Raise tag prices too
609	I believe the license should be any antelope not just buck. This would allow more bucks to survive each season
610	Set up non resident specific hunt units and base their tag allotment as a % of rifle tags that would be allocated.
611	raise non resident tags
612	Restrict non residents by making it a draw tag
613	It is very hard to hunt all of the public accessible hunting when some of it is gridlocked where there's no access without going through somebody's private property. This makes it hard because all of the people focus on the areas that are accessible and that's a higher density in one area versus if there was access to those other places so they could spread out.
614	In the past 3 yrs we've seen more resident antelope hunters along the roads but have been able to find plenty of ground to hunt without being bothered. People just have to walk in more and hunt.
615	Antelope numbers are good I,have bought a tag for 5 years and didn't fill any ,I just used it to scout public land for mule deer in Sept so I could hunt them in October..You have done a terrific job in the areas I hunt with antelope and there are plenty of mule deer does and young bucks.I see very few archery antelope hunters in the areas I hunt but both antelope and mule get hunted heavy during the gun season !
616	I believe that having the rifle season interrupts the season for archery hunters who may not have had an opportunity to hunt earlier on in the season. If the season was extended until January 31st it would give a second opportunity later on in the season.
617	Protect the resources of our state for the use by our residents. Limit the number of out of state tags. Raise the price of out of state tags. It's a great thing that more people are hunting. You receive more revenue to put back into your programs. In all these surgery's your doing you only say the number of hunters has gone up. Unless you show the harvest success along side of it, your numbers really don't matter. Also your not showing the number of animals available. We need more information to really form an honest opinion.
618	I did not archery hunt antelope. I do hunt firearm hunt them and it is on both public and private land.
619	I feel as though resident hunters of South Dakota are losing more and more of our rights every year to Non resident hunters. So the state can make more money and take away more tags from SD tax payers all across the board on all tags.
620	Reduce the number of out of state archery hunters.
621	I hunt archery pronghorn quite a bit and there are way to many nonresident hunters . There needs to be a draw for nonresident pronghorn archery licenses.
622	Limit non resident tags so that residents are not punished. Limiting non resident tags may hurt the pocket book of the state but in the long run it will increase the population of antelope and care for our own resident hunters at the same time

623	I appreciate the limit to the buck only tags as antelope numbers are the main priority. But, I am disappointed that the limit did not also restrict the number of nonresident tags issued. Limit nonresidents before limiting the residents.
624	My South Dakota antelope hunting knowledge is very limited. I was on private land hunting with an outfitter in the extreme SW part of the state. In fact some of the land bordered Wyoming. On the first day of my hunt I scored on a very nice buck. There were good numbers of antelope and do not believe there was much hunting pressure. It may be total different on public land. If that was the case maybe there should be two types of permits; public land and private land permits. This way the number of public land permits could be limited thus reducing public land pressure. Just a thought.
625	I love hunting SD. Over the past few years the antelope numbers have seem to be lowering. Hunting pressure seems to be the same.
626	I hunted for 4 days north of Belle fourche I talked to one non resident hunter at the hotel the first morning. And I only talked to two resident hunters while I was out hunting. Pressure was low in the area I was in.
627	Introduce Resident and non-resident Landowner archery tags
628	As a non-resident rifle hunter, it's a long process to get drawn to hunt pronghorn in SD. I would love to see more opportunity.
629	Success rate is higher then returned harvest reports not to mention critters not found. Guys shooting 60-120 yards frequently now and agency needs to adjust accordingly
630	Something severely needs to be done here. This is an issue of protecting the wildlife resource but also competition on public lands. The number of nonresident licenses is particularly concerning (nearly 4x the tags in only 10 years). I would guess many of these hunters are on public land.
631	Put a limit on the amount of non resident tags. For those tags there should be units that need to be applied for similar to the rifle lottery.
632	Before limiting resident archery antelope hunting opportunity, non-resident tag prices should be increased to drive down the number of tags purchased or nonresident tags as a whole should be restricted. 90% of antelope hunters on public land are nonresidents.
633	I have only been archery antelope hunting once 5 years ago and it was a great experience. Perceived hunting pressure was minimal at that time and animals were relatively easy to find on public with enough drive time. I have no opinion on what has happened since during archery season but I have heard that hunting pressure and crowding has climbed significantly. \I have spent substantial time antelope rifle hunting and Archery mule deer hunting in the last few years in Harding and Perkins counties.\Access to substantial portions of public land in the northwest corner of the state that antelope and deer inhabit has access issues due to neighboring landowners closing roads and using scare tactics to keep people away. \Clearing up these relationships between landowners and hunters needs to be made high priority to help with these issues and reduce crowding. Also increased investment in Walk-in area and the chap program needs to be prioritized over reducing or changing tag allocation.
634	Limit out of state tags to a 500 draw and make state tags buck only
635	Generally, I want to maintain my access as a resident to being able to hunt every year for archery antelope. There were a lot of non resident archers in buffalo SD on the opening weekend, but I didn't have trouble finding land to hunt by getting more remote and walking a lot. I also think the money the non residents bring to the GFP and local small communities is important, and it's a fun opportunity hunt for non res friends of mine. Glad they made it buck only, need to get those herd numbers back up. Thanks for the work you do!
636	Too many non resident hunters congregating in the same areas and killing off all the antelope/deer on public lands.
637	Antelope are extremely hard to hunt with archery equipment. Don't limit resident opportunities to go hunting
638	Residents should always get preference to non residents. Non residents should be closed down when there's low numbers

639	Allow for the archery tag to be either sex. It's already the hardest hunt to do in SD with extremely low harvest rates. The rifle makes sense to be buck only, but the take of some does would be good with archery to maintain healthy herd ratios.
640	There needs to be a limit on tags sold. Too many goats are being killed each year so our numbers continue to drop
641	LESS NONRESIDENT ANTELOPE TAGS! I would recommend a drawing for nonresidents, increase the tag prices, and reduce the amount of tags. Nonresidents are getting out of control, the amount of out of state hunters I've seen this September is unheard of. Almost like the Residents don't get the chances they should.
642	I would recommend increasing the number of archery antelope licenses for resident and non resident hunters while putting more restrictions on firearm hunters. Personally I partake in both sports but have seen a greater long term involvement from those that archery hunt. More habitat improvements / involvement from archery hunters. I have hunted a couple of years in SD for Antelope and was successful on one occasion. Trouble I encountered was accessing public land and being able to close the distance to the animals. On private land there were more water sources and habitat to work with during the hunt and helped me to achieve a successful harvest. Habitat, Habitat Habitat.
643	Nonresidents need more private land options, more walk in hunting on private would be nice.
644	I've noticed more hunters over the past few years but it hasn't affected my success or the numbers Of animals I'm seeing.
645	Manage antelope tags on a limited basis perhaps. Much like firearm season. Instead of a draw it could be first come first serve until the cap is hit. Adjust cap year to year based on populational numbers of antelope.
646	During our archery hunt in Unit 35A we saw little hunting pressure during the 5 days we were in South Dakota. We were able to put multiple stocks on mature buck antelope with having success harvesting one between us two hunters. I could see a benefit from having draw permits and running the draw similar to the rifle season. This could benefit the antelope population during drought years where the herds are struggling. But with that being said i think there was plenty of opportunity to have a successful harvest. If the numbers are struggling it could be changed to a draw and when they are thriving change it back to an OTC opportunity.
647	Non resident hunters in many states and for many big game species are getting forced out by tag reductions and /or price increases. This does not bode well for hunter recruitment
648	The opportunity to buy an over the counter antelope tag as a non resident and be able to go every year is great. The last 2 years we had multiple opportunity.
649	With the numbers of antelope seen this year compared to precious years, I believe keeping resident licenses the same is appropriate. I strongly believe that nonresident licenses need to move to a lottery basis with preference points prior to changing the resident licenses at all. Hunting public this year I have only seen nonresident plates hunting, not South Dakota plates.
650	It is always a difficult task when antelope licenses are getting tougher to draw in adjoining states. Keeping license availability for those such as I who have developed good landowner relationship and access but it is mixed with trust lands leased by the same landowner. So perhaps a license option for private lands and lands leased by the landowner. Good luck.
651	With the number of antelope being as low as it is there should be a limited draw at least for nonresidents. Nonresidents come here unfamiliar with little regard for our laws and takes away from us residents. If they are willing to drive here to shoot antelope they might as well just go to Wyoming. And with a limit on nonresident tags maybe raise the price for nonresidents to make up for the less tags sold. It's sad to see how many antelope there used to be to. I started hunting them 5 or 6 years ago and there were a lot of antelope running around which has been on the decline every year since. This season being the lowest number I've seen. I wouldn't be upset if non-residents were limited on there draw or maybe even none at all until the population comes back.

652	<p>I am in agreement that South Dakota has to change the structure of how archery antelope seasons are aligned. I believe this starts with changing how nonresident licenses are allocated. \As someone who has friends come from Minnesota to hunt antelope every year, I understand this is a tricky situation. However, the amount of pressure put on public lands (and publicly accessible lands) is concerning. While there are far more resident licenses given out, those hunters are spaced out more evenly between private and public lands. \I hunt archery antelope consistently every year in August and it is not uncommon to see four nonresident licenses plates to every resident license plate you see. Overcrowding is always an issue when it comes to public land but I know it is frustrating from residents when the overcrowding is not coming from their neighbors and instead from people from many states away. \I believe keeping the "over the counter" license types for residents and implementing a drawing license structure for non residents will be key to making sure all archery antelope hunters have a high quality hunt and prevent the extreme pressure that our antelope herds have seen over that past several seasons. This puts a focus on resident hunting opportunities while still allowing nonresidents the ability to enjoy hunting in our state on a more limited basis. \Most importantly, please make mentored/youth licenses valid on both private and public land again. A child should not be denied the opportunity to get involved in the outdoors hunting antelope because their parents do not know a landowner in western South Dakota. This was a big misstep by GFP and I hope to see it corrected. \Thank you for your consideration.</p>
653	<p>Limited draw for nonresidents like other western states. Wyoming has Limited draw and has way more public land and has a much greater antelope population. Nonresident draw should be no greater than 15% of 10 year average resident use. \We just don't have the numbers of critters or enough public land to support the amount of nonresident use we're seeing.</p>
654	<p>Maintain current hunter densities or slightly fewer.</p>
655	<p>South Dakota is a great option for an antelope hunter looking to go on a hunt if they don't draw other tags. It's a great filler hunt. In my opinion, hunter pressure is only high immediately adjacent to public roads or within sight of those roads. Antelope hunters by nature are road hunters. Thus, the perceived hunting pressure concern is probably driven by the road hunters, which only impacts a small percentage of the total public land.</p>
656	<p>Thank you for the input opportunity. But will it again fall upon deaf ears? Antelope populations are at the most pathetic numbers in 25 years. I've lived, and hunted archery and rifle antelope in the Faith, SD area for 27 years. Even managed the Ziebach and Meade county units for 16 years. I expressed my concerns to ##### ten years ago regarding the high number of rifle tags and the antelope populations not being able to sustain that amount of pressure. We have had 3 consecutive years of mild winters with little mortality in the antelope herds. Still the traditional high population areas have no antelope. thanks for going with only bucks this year and allowing some survival. I no longer see herds of antelope with multiple satellite bucks harassing the dominant herd buck. Rarely see herds or bucks with does! Proof is you don't see other hunters in the field, in the motels, gas stations, grocery stores and motels. There hasn't been an officer on the ground in this area for 14 years to grasp the management of the antelope numbers and surveys techniques have changed. The rifle antelope license numbers have just been "winged" for too long and the result is loss of opportunity for the sportsman. No question population roller coaster is due to poor management.</p>
657	<p>removing out of staters would be the best thing for south dakota. i love antelope hunting but dread going out there to see 4 people from out of state chasing the same goat everywhere you go</p>
658	<p>As a non resident hunter I'd choose quality over quantity. I'd like to see limited draw areas that reduce pressure and increase the quality of the hunt. This not just for archery but also for gun hunters.</p>
659	<p>Success with archery antelope is very very hard and has little role on the population, especially this year being limited to buck only tags. That cuts down on the number of stalks I have made this year because I have to shoot a buck and can't shoot does. I'm fine with that, but it cuts down chances of success even further when limited to buck only. So to me, the current system is the best option because it is so difficult to be successful with archery equipment.</p>

660	If the state decides to go to limited draws, I'd prefer that it was limited draws for a specific date range instead of zones or areas
661	It would seem that the most important question to be answered is whether or not the SDGFP antelope management goals are being achieved or not. Are the right number of antelope being harvested annually or are we harvesting too many or not enough. If too many antelope are being harvested then some restrictions may be warranted. Reduce hunter numbers, reduce season length, or reduce hunter access to accomplish resource management goals. \Having grown up in SDak, and now living out of state, I understand that generally speaking the non-resident hunter has a lot more invested in a SDak antelope hunt. Costs are much higher considering license costs, travel, lodging, etc. That being said it is understandable that non-resident hunters have a higher hunter success ratio than resident hunters. Non-resident hunters are likely more focused, invested and will hunt rain or shine. As a result non-resident hunters have a greater impact on antelope management goals per capita. This should obviously be factored in when SDGFP develops their antelope resource management plan.
662	I grew up in South Dakota. The years I have visited South Dakota for hunting have been very enjoyable. My archery antelope hunting is not always successful, but that has not been due to other hunting pressure. Sure I may have to drive a little longer or walk a little farther to locate an opportunity but others can do the same. There are hunting pressure hot zones I just try to stay away from. I really enjoy the ability to leave an area/region to hunt else where. Limiting the number of hunters in a hot zone would be helpful in those areas. But would possibly have the opposite affect on all the other lower pressures areas. If the number of hunters is an issue then I guess itâ€™s time to raise the price or limit the access. \\Thank you for the opportunity to hunt and have an opinion.
663	More effort should be put into increasing habitat and rehabilitating existing habitat. South Dakota regulations already try to push non resident hunters to overpriced lodges. Continued restrictions will only drive people away from the state all together. If populations are struggling that much, almost better to cancel the season all together for recovery.
664	Non residents hunting only private owned ground should be able to buy unlimited archery tags. Good only on private ground. We bring tons of money to state in tourism and revenue for the outfitter ranchers. Limiting tags will only hurt their income and the drought already is causing hardship. Thanks for the opportunity to comment
665	South Dakota archery antelope was my first big game hunting trip "out west." The reason my dad and I choose this hunt was the ease with which we could get tags, the amount of public accessible land, and the amount of animals in the area. We hunted 4 full days and 2 half days at the start of the 2021 season. Our time was fairly evenly split between public accessible land and a private ranch. At least part of everyday we hunted, we spent off the ranch driving around, and I'm guessing we saw a total 5 other trucks with hunters. At most, we saw 10 other trucks. As a hunter only seeing 2 trucks a day is very encouraging, especially considering the amount of accessible land in the area as well as the amount of antelope. I'm really not sure I could come up with an estimate of the amount of antelope that we saw during this trip, even just on public land. I would strongly encourage you to keep this system in tact under current management strategies as it provides minimal hunter pressure in a target rich environment.
666	Simply double the price of non resident tags. Most non resident antelope hunters are from Eastern states and south dakota is the nearest state with better antelope hunting. Residents should be entitled to whatever tag they want as we are local and it should not take 3 years to hunt.
667	Nonresident archery hunting should be limited to one tag each through a draw system with fees increased.
668	As a non resident hunter, I feel for the resident hunter who have to compete with the non residents. I love the opportunity to hunt antelope on the plains, but would be in favor of limiting hunters (mostly non resident) to increase the over all hunting experiences. Increased walk-in access, increased non resident costs, and hopefully increased animal numbers would all be great to see.
669	reducing the number of out of state hunters would be the solution, unless the goal is money

670	Archery antelope on public land is challenging. I agree I saw a fair number of hunters on the opening weekend when driving to go hunt we had very little pressure when we were on foot away from roads.
671	I am a nonresident and am applying for firearm antelope but have not drawn yet. It is more important to me to have a quality hunt (better antelope/less hunting pressure) even if it means taking longer to draw tag. So I do believe the antelope tags, especially archery need to be more restrictive.
672	Have noticed drawing a non resident tag has become more difficult and the number of antelope tags given to nonresidents has gone down also. More interest because of the guaranteed tag, which has its pros and cons
673	Restrict amount of RIFLE licenses. Archery hunting antelope is about the hardest hunt there is, especially on public land. Success rates for archery is so low compared to rifle.
674	I've hunted several states the last couple years and feel data is skewed due to covid. Lots of non-residents went on hunting trips due to everything else being shut down.
675	Please allow at least one week of the archery antelope season to overlap with the first week of the archery deer season for non-residents. This will allow those coming from out of state to purchase both licenses and hunt both animals. This will also spread the hunting pressure because not all hunters would focus on just antelope for the time they have chosen to hunt.
676	management of archery antelope should be more determined by success rates than tags purchased. Rifle antelope is what SDGFP should use to provide management to SD's Antelope Heard, Whereas Archery Antelope Should be used to provide fun opportunity to Resident and Non- Resident hunters. Adjust Rifle Antelope Harvest according to Archery Success numbers.
677	As a Minnesota, big timber white tail deer hunter, who tries to take a week hunting trip out west every fall, I love the opportunity to come to South Dakota as often as I can. I've come out and hunted mid September and end of October for pronghorn with my bow 3 times. All on public land. Two of my three trips I didn't run into a single other hunter. I found I had the Hugh Glass campground to myself both times (other than a couple grouse hunters). The third year I hunted within 60 miles of Belle Fourche, and still found very little hunting pressure. Now, that being said, in my experience, I've only hunted later in the year. I have friends that hunt opening week, and say that there is a lot of hunting pressure 5-10 other hunter encounters per day. I think it would be a good idea to do what Minnesota does with their spring turkey season. The first 2 weeks of season are draw only. This helps to get rid of the hunting pressure while the animals are still uneducated. The rest of the season can still be basically OTC with a much lower success rate since the herd has seen people afield the first two weeks, and being later in the year, I feel like a lot of other hunting seasons are open as well. That would help elevate some pressure, too. Thanks for taking the time to read this feedback. I think you guys do a great job managing all the species and different habitat types your great state has to offer! It's one of the few places I can fall back on if I don't draw a different western tag, and I'd hate to see more hunting opportunities lost when the anti-hunting community seems to take more and more hunting rights across the nation every year. Thanks,#####
678	I feel there should be an unlimited state wide archery tag. If you want to limit anything it should be rifle tags. I would bet if given the numbers you will see more rifle tags filled than archery. But I also believe that given the antelope population decrease there should also be a limited number of nonresident tags also
679	I'm a rookie to SD antelope hunting. 3 total days of hunting over two seasons. Didn't shoot any animals. Really don't know enough to give an educated answer on the topics.
680	Cut non resident tags in half, cut resident tags by 20%-
681	I have lived in the black hills and began hunting here in 2016. I have applied every season and only received a prairie antelope tag once in 6 years. I am a woman. My husband has been awarded every year except this year. I don't know what's going on, but the balance is off.
682	Believe tags should be regulated by the biological surveys instead of public opinion. As more people come to the state, habitat will be the issue.

683	I think GFP dropped the ball bad on antelope population monitoring which lead to the drastic cut in antelope licenses being available in 2022. Many non-resident hunters are coming to SD because our licenses are affordable and the hunting options are plentiful. I believe non-resident tags should cost significantly more than what we currently are charging. This would probably eliminate a fair amount of non-resident pressure while not killing the revenue it currently brings in.
684	<p>Myself personally (strictly an archery hunter) had only hunted antelope one time many years ago before ND changed their seasons to draw only. I've applied for 6 consecutive years without drawing a tag. I had always hunted whitetail but wanted to try something different and have now traveled to SD over the past 5 years to hunt Antelope. It's one of the things I look most forward to each fall. It's become my families favorite wild game to consume. The time and money spent in your state is great investment. \\South Dakota is an excellent state for archery antelope and pheasant hunting. I greatly appreciate the option for guaranteed archery tag and ample quality publicly accessible land. I plan to continue to hunt South Dakota instead of Wyoming due to this. There are not as many animals but still sufficient quantities to have a great hunt and hopefully put some meat in the freezer. While there are other hunters present it's never seemed overly crowded to me.\\We have attempted to gain access to private land on first couple of seasons but were unsuccessful. Understandable with good quantities of public land available. \\Some private land open to sportsman has disappeared last year and that did hurt accessibility a bit. We greatly appreciate being able to utilize these areas and would like to see continued focus on keeping these private land owners incentivized to help keep those acres open. In North Dakota we lost significant amount of CRP and PLOTS ground it's made hunting more challenging for most. That paired with more farmers going large corporate has resulted in it being significantly more difficult to gain access to good areas to hunt. \\In today's age where opportunity is becoming more difficult due to points driven draws and publicly accessible land across many states shrinking. South Dakota has done a great job of keeping things favorable to sportsmen and keeping habitat in place for wildlife. To keep the hunting involvement alive it's imperative that we try to reduce the headwinds for all people to enter the sport and participate in these activities. My wife has decided to try archery hunting antelope next year due to the fact that we like the meat so much. I also have a son 6 and daughter 9 that look forward to the day they can also participate. Bringing home an animal to process with them helping is a a true blessing. I hope that these opportunities remain available in the future for them and others. \\If archery hunter crowding is becoming an issue (as long as animal populations are stable) I think the best way to address this is in the form of more programs to increase publicly accessible land and to work with landowners on additional accessibility programs. Archery hunting is typically lower success and I don't believe would have a significant impact on quantity of animals.\\Thank you for the opportunity to hunt your state and for doing a great job of focused quality, quantity of habitat for wildlife and for the focus on public lands. \\Best Regards, \\#### #####\\###-###-####</p>
685	Curtain areas in South Dakota seem to have a lot of hunting pressure but there are many other areas that have little to no pressure. The Buffalo area for example seems to have the highest hunting pressure however if you go for a 30 minute drive south or east there is almost no hunting pressure comparatively. We usually hunt the Buffalo area and even with all the hunting pressure, it seems like this area holds the best opportunity at an antelope.
686	I have place no opinion on most questions, as I have not encountered other hunters on the areas that I have hunted in the past, both private and public.
687	I didn't get to draw so I wasn't there last year.\\It didn't work out this year.
688	I am a non resident, I used to hunt archery deer and pronghorn at the same time. Residents cried about non residents hunting(their) deer. So now I only hunt antelope because I do not have unlimited vacation. Please donâ€™t mess up archery antelope. I do think the buck only rule will help.
689	Most people drive roads looking for antelope, so I have never had an issue with any hunters.
690	License sale on the website is not robust. Barely functional. Sales need to begin earlier. SD is a gem for non resident archery antelope. Low success rates BUT loaded with opportunity! An enjoyable hunt. Tell no one! Keep it up!

691	Antelope numbers were way down this year, hopefully take some steps to limit tags and get the numbers back up
692	I hope this survey goes along with archery deer hunting as well, way to many out of state bow hunters on public land west river
693	South Dakota needs to make non residents draw for a tag!They're way to many non residents hunting such a small antelope population!We are one of the furthest east state with antelope hunting and you're guaranteed a tag for all the eastern hunters who come here because it's closest!!Terrible wildlife management on behalf of the antelope!Especially with a hurting antelope population that is not recovering and could be lost if the current system stays due to low numbers,to low to hunt . We're even at bucks only this year!!!!It's common sense to turn away non residents or draw only for them so we can protect a very unique resource!!!\Thank you, #####
694	I have not hunted archery Antelope. However, my preference would go to the residents of the state rather than non residents.
695	I saw a little more public land pressure last year than in 2020 but still had a quality hunt in the area I was in. More pressure on weekends than during the week.
696	The success rate with archery for antelope is very low. I think they should remain over the counter for everyone even if the number of tags sold increases. I highly doubt success rates have increased much, especially enough to have a negative impact on the antelope population in SD. Iâ€™ve seen good numbers throughout their range while in SD hunting them and traveling through. The current structure is just fine in my opinion.
697	Thank you for putting this out there! I have seen every waterhole covered by an archery antelope hunter. That much pressure reduces populations, especially on public lands.
698	If wildlife herds are truly a "state owned resource", we should consider limiting harvests on both private and public lands. This should include moving to all non-resident archery tags to limited draw. Set quota limits to less than 10% for public lands, and an evidence base and data supported percentage or quota for private land, with ALL stakeholders interests weighted (not just outfitters and pay for hunt ranches). In my hunting areas, most of the game is driven over onto private lands in early season due to scouting/hunting pressure; with hunting suffering on public until males roam during the pre-rut and rut. In the past two years, this has been worse, due to the increase in hunters not familiar with the territory and animal patterns and increased scouting pressure by (mostly) non-residents. I am not against NR hunting, I've been a non-resident across several western states for nearly 25 years. Given, I've never had the option of purchasing an OTC license for my areas. With that being said, after 20+ years working with the military and as a military spouse, we are finally able to settle in our beloved South Dakota. Antelope are my favorite animal to pursue with a bow. I can only hope we can come to a solution where we can return to a realistic level of satisfaction and efficacy as resident sportsmen and sportswomen. Thank you.
699	Make CRP profitable again
700	I am a non resident hunter and havent ran into many other hunters over the years. I have noticed more people in general but not necessarily more pressure.
701	I really like the idea of keeping the unlimited archery tags, but sectionalizing the statewide unit into smaller pieces.
702	Archery antelope should be a draw and buck only for non resident. Even right now we canâ€™t maintain our current populations. Non resident tags should be limited to 500. Even residents at this point should draw for them until the population can bounce back
703	Go to a limited draw now before crowding gets even worse.

704	SD is the least friendly state to non resident hunters ... Unless you are chasing a pheasant. I would imagine that some of the increase in non resident archery tags is due to the near impossibility for a non resident to obtain a rifle antelope tag. After 5 or 6 years I still am waiting on a rifle antelope tag in a primarily public land zone. My son, a resident, and I have talked about getting an archery tag because of the difficulty I have as a non resident hunting in SD. We want to hunt together some time before I die. I'm 61 ... That is our impression of non resident hunting in SD
705	more walk-in hunting lands enrolled would be nice
706	Part of the increase in archery antelope hunters was covid. Big game hunters were restricted from entering Canada and the increase in requirement for other countries became burdensome. I believe now that covid restrictions are lifting for most countries, hunters will again utilizing these destinations. Where SD was a garenteed archery antelope tag draw it made hunt planning easier during the covid restriction era.
707	I also hunted antelope with the gun as i drew a tag in 2021 and thought that it was difficult due to the number of hunters in my zone...not the case with the bow.
708	I have not ran into too many archery antelope hunters during my time hunting but have noticed that antelope numbers have been down and pressured onto private land many times. I drew my first rifle tag last year and contrary to archery season I thought there were far too many rifle hunters and it was difficult to even find a place to park and walk in due to the number of vehicles and other hunters. I think this has a far greater effect than archery season.
709	Archery Hunting has been excellent with little pressure. It would be nice for things to stay the same
710	As a avid hunter of numerous states for whitetails and antelope. And until recently we were able to hunt muledeer here as well. But you guys changed that. By making our season start later. . The number of hunters like myself that don't shoot does and try to shoot mature deer. Limiting any seasons is not where its at. Being from Wisconsin. Any SD person could come to Wisconsin and shoot numerous does and or bucks. If the seasons change anymore I will be forced to spend my money in a different state. We use all your local hotels and eat and drink at all ypur local restaurants. Helping the entire community out as well.
711	I hunt on private most of the time and never see any other hunters and thereâ€™s a very good amount of antelope on the property I hunt.
712	The amount of public land was enough too not make it feel crowded. The amount of antelope seems to have decreased but this may be due to hunting pressure on public lands.
713	I enjoy coming to South Dakota and hunting. One of the main highlights is that it is not a draw. I can count on the opportunity to hunt, visit with friends, spread economic impact every year.\\I hope that I can continue to do so in the future.
714	Limit number of non-resident antelope tags to provide residents more opportunities on public lands.
715	The non resident archery antelope hunting community was very well represented, but there was still enough public land to not have problems running into them. \\land locked public land is still very much a problem!
716	No where near enough public land antelope opportunities.
717	Allow any legal weapon during regular season and remove archery season.
718	Let science lead the way - tag availability should be based on population modeling for each hunting unit. We need to conserve the antelope population so that future hunters may be able to enjoy these same opportunities given to us today.
719	I feel like there should be a draw for all archery antelope licenses.
720	I have only hunted private land but that could change very soon. As with most western states non residents pay a lot more for tags then residents yet they limit the amount of non resident tags issued. The main reason I love South Dakota is archery tags are guaranteed. I would hate to see that change.
721	The number of out of state hunters seems to be increasing. In 2021 I saw more Minnesota license plated hunters then South Dakota hunters. The revenue is good, however the hunting areas seems to be pressured.

722	Antelope numbers seem to have dropped. Specifically, I did not see as many does this year. I would eliminate the killing of does until numbers recover. I am also concerned about how sheep fencing restricts antelope movement. I belong to a conservation organization in AZ that works with fish and game departments to modify fence structures to allow antelope to migrate or access critical water. I hope SD can pull together the same type of public/private partnership.
723	I think non-residents should have a limited draw for archery antelope
724	In my three years of archery antelope hunting I have seen very little pressure on the areas I've been hunting. The little bit of pressure that I have seen has been within the first few hundred yards of roads and access points and see no pressure beyond that point. As nonresident I feel like we are more willing to put on the miles and hours in the field compared to the quick trip residents. Again as far as pressure goes on the areas I've been and the weeks I've been out there I see very few other hunters resident or nonresident. The South Dakota Bowhunters Association lobbyists have something against nonresident hunters having access not from a conservation view based on herd health, but rather, that nonresident hunters have success in their hunts. I enjoy the privilege of being able to chase pronghorn in the beautiful state of South Dakota and wish we nonresident had the opportunity to still chase mule deer during the early season as well. Being from Ohio I do not have the opportunities that your state provides and I'm grateful for what hunts I am still allowed to participate in in South Dakota! \Thanks\#####
725	I think its tricky to get this perfect for everyone, but it's only really too busy with hunters at the easily accessible areas and when you get far enough away from those main access points it is not too crowded. Just my 2 cents. Thanks again!! #####
726	I support a science backed approach and know you need to limit influx of hunters from the over take of game. I support any decision that leads to healthy populations. But one thing I'm incredibly concerned with is the rate of increase of states offering tags to hunting guides and reducing DIY opportunities. While I can afford guides, and have used them in the past it's just not the same experience to me. I've also had too many bad experiences with guides who are all too happy to take your money and put in minimal effort. I've worked with good guides too, but sadly they don't seem to be the norm and stacking the deck in their favor increases the financial difficulty for hunters of less means to experience the hunt. So if you move to a point system I hope you'll choose to stay away from preference to guides. I'm already giving up on my yearly points tithing to some western states who are going that route.
727	I understand local, resident hunters are complaining that there are hunters "on my ground." I hunted 3 of the last 3 years and had a GREAT TIME. I saw other hunters on the road. I occasionally saw other hunters on public land that I then drove past, but I never had a hunt ruined by someone else. We are talking 3,019 folks on 5 million acres of publicly accessible land. The opportunity provided by SD is AMAZING. We spent about a week each time we visited but spent a lot of money on food, fuel and recreation there. Please, do the math with the handful of hunters on millions of acres of land. If everyone were to be hunting on the same day at the same time JUST on public land, each hunter would have 1,656 acres to himself. Please share that with the naysayers. You have a great thing going...don't change it! Again, 3,000 hunters on 5 million acres. Promote this opportunity and get MORE people hunting there. Bowhunters aren't negatively impacting your herd. This is a minority of greedy folks wanting something all to themselves. PROMOTE bowhunting in South Dakota. It is an amazing experience I find myself thinking about all year round. Don't change a thing!
728	Still make it where a non resident could hunt every other year but add some more minor restrictions.
729	Seems like most people head to the same area in the northwest because it is known as the best but in the southwest there seems to be plenty of animals and public land so getting the pressure spread out would help. But would be able to maintain the same amount of hunters and give a better experience

730	The reason that the number of Archery hunters (both Resident & Non-Resident) has increased so dramatically in SD is because other neighboring states do not offer OTC archery tags and drawing odds in those neighboring states have decreased due to point creep and increased interest of non-resident hunters. Subsequently, most magazines, blogs, etc are promoting SD for OTC archery tags. I've hunted a few archery seasons in SD both before and after the rifle season and felt that the number of archery hunters is adequate. I would suggest that SDGFP offer both OTC statewide option and "unit specific only" with quotas for a reduced fee for the unit specific tags. This will give SDGFP the ability to concentrate archery hunters in certain units as it sees fit to match Antelope population trends, yet cater to the current pool of return customers. You can also add an incentive for the customer to purchase a unit specific archery tag by giving a free bonus point for the rifle draw for selecting this option over the statewide option.
731	Are the number of hunters, whether resident or nonresident, adversely effecting the antelope herd? In other words, the survey indicated an increase in hunter participation during a designated time period. However, there is no corresponding data provided that indicates that the antelope herd has thereby been negatively impacted. The health of the antelope herd should be the primary goal. If over-harvest is a documented concern, then, by all means, discuss tag allocation accordingly. I understand that game management largely tends to be people-management. And, what hunter doesn't want it all to themselves? I sure would. But, that is not reasonable, fair, nor practical.
732	This will be my third year archery antelope hunting on private land. The land owner controls the number of hunters. I have had no exposure to public land or other private property; so "No Opinion" seemed to be the appropriate answer for the most part.
733	My opinion on antelope tags for residents is that it is typically an add on to their Mule Deer tag. It provides them something to do during the middle of the day when Mule Deer are not out moving. 90% of the hunters I see early on in the archery season are non-resident antelope hunters.
734	I would like to see the Archery Antelope season be modeled after the rifle antelope seasons. The same number of tags and the same units.
735	Public land Antelope archery hunting is extremely difficult as it is without non residents camping and blocking off access points to public walk in areas, I have seen this a number of times where a walk in area has out of state hunters camping or setup with RV's and tents to repeatedly hunt the same spot daily. It's quite frustrating.
736	Would be nice to have a bow/gun option tag. Its important to note that yes license sales went up in the past tens years but the actual kill of the antelope hasn't probably changed much
737	Don't change a thing. There are always going to be complainers.
738	By making it mandatory to register an archery antelope harvest will give a better idea on the success rate for that season. Rather than relying on licenses sold and percentages from year to year on a season that has a relatively low success rate for the antelope species. Another option would be to change the Antelope archery season a draw just like archery deer. Making it private only after a certain date and or limiting the amount of licenses per what was sold a few years ago.
739	Allow archery hunters to be able to harvest either sex because of how challenging it is with archery. For population control limit firearm tags. Most archery hunters I spoke to in previous years were mainly targeting buck anyways just gives better chances for the limited people going for either sex
740	A lot of the public land and walk in areas available do not hold any to nearly any antelope. It would be nice to see choose walk in areas that tend to hold more antelope. There were significantly fewer antelope on public and private lands in regards to the following two seasons.
741	I am a nonresident. I hunted the archery antelope opener in 2020 and 2021. As a public land hunter I expect to see other hunting pressure. I thought the amount of pressure I saw was acceptable and would like to have the option of doing this hunt in the future without the worry of tags selling out or having to draw the tag.

742	I am from Ohio and absolutely love hunting antelope out in South Dakota but could see so much more activity and more tags/licenses bought. It would be great to be able to hunt mule deer and antelope if the hunting season over lapsed again for non-resident. Had a lot of fun in the past years hunting both animals and now restricted to just one in the months of August. Also don't see why archery tags are restricted to buck only for antelope. Thanks for everything you guys are doing out there!
743	The number of antelope are there it's the amount of hunters just road hunting and driving around. As an out of state individual with his son, we look forward to the trip every year but now this year we weren't able to fill a doe tag because of the regulations. There were tons on goats but you had to hunt them smart not just dash after them.
744	You are doing a commendable job managing the SD pronghorn population. Archery hunters and non-resident hunters do not have as much population level impact compared to rifle hunters and resident hunters. Keep up the good work !!
745	Did not get to hunt this past season because of website malfunctions and 0 notifications. Highly disappointed in that.
746	Archery antelope is not the issue your state is having. The success rates are very low. The firearms tag holders are mad that because by the time their season opens the antelope are on private and the private landowners aren't allowing access because the firearms season for antelope has become world war 3 and the orange army is insane. South Dakota's antelope herd is so concentrated making the issue blowout of proportion.
747	I hunted hard for about 1 week last year, and I felt like I didn't run into many other hunters during that time. It didn't feel crowded or overbearing and I felt like there was plenty of opportunity!
748	Let's the herds grow hunted 5 days in a area where I would see 50 a day now lucky to see a dozen a day
749	Current way the season works is the best option.
750	Having the application date in the spring like the nonresident deer tag might be one way to try to curve numbers. If that doesn't seem to affect the number of hunters than a limited draw with a high quota like Montana may help but still give ample opportunity for drawing. In the end though if archery harvest isn't going over quota than a change may not be necessary. Common sense hunter ethics in the field would be nice though.
751	Non resident from North Dakota. Hunted 2021 and 2022. Did not harvest an antelope either year but had plenty of opportunities all on public land. Will continue to hunt in future years.
752	I didn't give a comment on a few of the questions, because I didn't feel I had enough information regarding herd densities, management objectives, and especially hunter harvest data from both archery and rifle seasons. I believe the SD Game and Fish Department is wise for taking this concern into consideration, because it's obvious the number of hunters is going to keep increasing and unlimited license availability has the potential to be a problem. My thought on this matter is that the big game biologists should review several other state's license programs, talk to those state's biologists about what is working well and what isn't with their pronghorn licensing and land use, and then come up with a few different options for the hunters to decide upon. The other considerations would be to require pronghorn harvest data by not allowing a Hunter to apply for a following year license until they have reported the information you want to gather. Thank you for asking for public input, I truly appreciate it.
753	im waiting on getting a firearm iiscence hopely soon but anyway keep up the good work
754	Please keep it the same as how it is.

755	During my time hunting on public ground in the north west corner of the state we did not encounter another hunting party pursuing antelope. Our hunt extended over 10 days and a high amount of game was seen each day. 15+ antelope a day. The current regulations seem very acceptable without knowing population/harvest statistics. Keeping hunting opportunities open to nonresidents specifically promotes incoming revenue in small cities and towns that depend on that of hunters. Industries such as hospitality, dining, and convince all experience a great increase in revenue during these hunting seasons. As a hunter/conservationist I hope that hunting regulations and tag allocations will primarily fall back on what is best for the resource and less on social pressures from hunters who anecdotaly believe that our woods/grasslands are too crowded. Thank you for the survey.
756	You guys do a good job of management and I enjoy hunting in South Dakota.
757	The group I was hunting with saw about 1/5th of the antelope we saw in the previous year after hunting for a week.
758	The amount of hunters is only impactful to the \$\$ brought to the State of SD. Harvest rates are the impact on the game. Determine the herd / harvest rates and you have a formula to use in order to manage the game. Too few hunters and you lose \$\$ and interest (see sage grouse and the need for money to continue habitat). Asking "too many / too few hunters, is a loaded and quite frankly embarrassing question to ask other hunters! What do think the responses will be: no, bring more pressure??? Big State, managed game = continued success in both interest (hunters spending dollars) and a healthy game population. Love the State and hope decisions are made for the continued enjoyment of our natural resources.
759	I am 57 yrs old and will never draw a great unit in Wyoming or New Mexico. I was hunting Montana on block management which was very nice until they changed their regulations. I found a private ranch to hunt on and pay a trespassing fee in SD. This was reasonable and allows me to come hunt every other yr. If you limit out of state licenses I may only get to hunt once or twice before I am unable to do a dyi archery antelope hunt.
760	Sorry not much help. Only hunted last year with an outfitter
761	Reciprocity agreement with Wisconsin. Come hunt our abundant whitetails!
762	Opportunity to hunt western big game by non residents in all western states is hard but sought after because where else can they go. Non residents don't want crowding as much as or maybe even more than residents but have not choice but make the best of opportunity they have again because they don't make the system. Rather than cutting or reducing tags or opportunities, what about adjusting or adding seasons dates/times so that more people can hunt but staggered and spread out so that there are a more balanced number in the field at any one time.
763	I hunted all public land and saw no other hunters in 2 full days of hunting
764	Continue to limit to bucks on year(s) following a bad winter kill
765	We only hunt private land but occasionally cross some state land that is within one of the fenced pasture. As a non resident I truly appreciate the opportunity to hunt in your state. there is little bow pressure in the area we hunt. If your rules change I respectfully ask that the application rules are kept simple. Thank you for the opportunity to weigh in and the privilege of hunting in SD!
766	The harvest success rates have stayed relatively the same. Most guys spot and stalk and are unsuccessful. Realistically the increase is likely due to rising popularity in outdoor recreation. I would say that for now things are fine the way they are. If harvest ticks up too much, or there are landowner issues or people not treating public land well then things would need to change to restrict how many people are out there.
767	I don't feel like I should have an opinion. I have only hunted private and this is my second year
768	Price is good, archery antelope are hard to harvest. License sales do not dictate harvest at all. Chance of a kill is still 10percent. There are more antelope than can possibly be threatening to species. Leave the archery tags alone. Encourage more land owners to be open to walk in archery only.

769	<p>If it seems that the number of nonresident hunters buying an antelope tag is becoming too high, another option could be to increase the price say \$100 instead of decreasing available nonresident tags. I selected the "keep it the same option" but the dividing the state into 2-5 zones and setting a quota on the number of nonresident tags per zone wouldn't be a bad idea either. I just hope there isn't an overcorrection and the available nonresident tags drastically decrease.</p>
770	<p>I don't believe that the state should try to reduce or eliminate non-residents from hunting public lands...as public lands include federal lands...and all taxpayers are entitled to access these lands. Additionally, a small group of residents should not be allowed to pressure the state to reduce or eliminate non-resident archery hunters. It appears that a small group of resident hunters are upset that other hunters have discovered their honey hole...and they don't believe anyone else is entitled to hunt these lands...as they have been hunting these public lands for years. Doesn't seem like these residents understand the big picture...of what non-residents bring to the state & area in commerce. It's my understanding that it's not a problem with the number of animal that are being harvested...it's the fact that others have showed up to hunt the same "Public" lands. What's next...controlling what residents of the state can hunt certain public land...as a group has the ear of someone at the state level...squeaky wheel making noise will get greased? Seems common sense isn't common anymore...just greedy selfish people!!!</p>
771	<p>Take away the crossbows during archery season and you will solve your harvest and overcrowding numbers</p>

APPENDIX 4

Archery deer input opportunity comments

ID	Comments
1	I disagree with season dates for the hills archery deer hunters more than anything. I believe the month of September SHOULD BE for the resident archery elk hunters in the hills. As long as it takes to draw a tag I believe it is unfair for the elk hunters to compete with the archery deer hunters that purchase an unlimited tag. When most people started applying for archery elk tags the archery deer season in the hills opened Oct. 1 or the last weekend of September. My opinion is that when I draw my next archery elk tag, that I am going to be furious between the amount of UTV's riding all over the hills and the number of archery deer hunters everywhere. I have helped a few hunters the last few years and know I would have been unhappy after waiting 10+ years to draw and dealing with all the competition in the hills. I also believe it is time for South Dakota to make out of state tags more in line with what other states charge for out of state hunters. I believe our fees are not high enough and lead to the crazy amount of out of state hunters.
2	Help mule deer numbers by restricting nonresident hunters.
3	I have hunted as a resident and no resident for many years the pressure that South Dakota sees from out of state archery is excessive from out of state hunters on public land. I would limit the amount of out of state archery licenses in my opinion. When I go hunting and at the public parking there are more out of state license plates than in state. Since anyone can get a archery tag out of state hunters flood SD public lands and drive out deer for in state hunters. limit out of state archery licenses on a draw bases. Thanks for listening.
4	No further comments
5	Increase nonresident archery fees and institute a draw to limit the number of nonresident archery hunters
6	Would like The nonresident archery hunters in a limited draw application
7	three piont or better on one side for whitetail and mule deer in harding county and black hills.
8	There should be a quota limit set on non residents.
9	Limit archery mule deer hunting in Black Hills by utilizing an access permit.
10	To shoot one deer in South Dakota with the bow is enough. I greatly support eliminating West and East River archery hunting options and simply allow archers to hunt the entire state and get one deer.
11	Make it draw for non residents like waterfall .. they have taken over out west and it ridiculous.. I stopped going out there because it was overrun with non resident archery hunters
12	Take away from rifle tags to allow for Archery tages
13	Please reduce the number of nonresident licenses. Way too many of them. Otherwise keep the same system
14	Make filling out harvest surveys mandatory to compile a more accurate harvest count. Failure to fill out survey would make you ineligible to acquire license the following year.
15	For the last 2 seasons I have been unsuccessful in drawing ANY of the other deer tags I have applied for. If it wasn't for the unlimited archery tags I wouldn't have any opportunities to hunt deer the last couple years. Making it harder to get tags for archery deer would be enough to make me stop hunting in South Dakota. Resident non-land owners shouldn't have so much trouble trying to have an opportunity to hunt deer in SD. The limited access permits is already a hurdle for us. I wonder if more hunters are turning to archery because they too are frustrated with not being able to draw other limited deer tags.
16	We have to be about the only state that sells unlimited nonresident tags without a draw. Make the non- residents archery tags draw only. It is getting crowded out in the archery woods. I can't begin to tell you how many times I walk out in the woods to hang a tree stand and pass two other stands already hanging in likely spots.

17	I think if you draw an archery tag it should count towards your two choices for the rifle season right now a guy can have 4 deer licenses or more every year. If you draw a state wide archery tag then you can only apply for one rifle tag in the first draw, If you draw a west river archery tag then you cannot apply for a West river rifle tag in the first draw and can only apply for one season in the first draw. Also we need to raise the out of state fees
18	I currently like the system in place. Archery hunting is difficult and adding more restrictions further increases the difficulty to fill the tag. Yes more archery hunters means more competition, but have the harvest numbers also increased at the rate of license sales? Unless archery hunters are harvesting too many animals (I do not think that is the case) then I think the GFP should be happy with the increase in sales and leave it be. My experience is the only people who don't like archers are those who only use rifles, and they have every opportunity to become one they just don't. Thanks.
19	there should be limited access drawings for archery as well as firearm season perfect example just look at the Hill ranch unit 27 L
20	There is a problem with nonresident tags being unlimited and everyone coming out to hunt from out of state. Too many public areas have been over run during archery season for mule deer.
21	My idea would be to offer unlimited statewide whitetail permits. Then offer additional endorsements (black hills, mule deer, etc) that would need to be limited and awarded through a lottery.
22	I believe the system is working as it should. There may be an increase in archery hunters but has the amount of deer harvested increased? Filling archery tags isn't as easy as rifle so limit those more. Thanks for your consideration
23	Because of out of state tags and outfitters leasing up land we lost all west river ground after more than 20 years. It's a joke and took away family hunting!
24	Please don't change anything
25	West River is all about the Non-Resident, and rich pay-to-play residents. The question is what will you do about it. There is no more taking out the young son, or grandson on his first hunt west river on private ground. Yes I know, there is public...
26	there is a reason for the increase in nonresident apps. most of them want to come and shoot a mule deer. increase their costs so we as residents don't have to take the brunt end of gas&p spending.
27	the out of state people party hunt and don't give the deer a chance specially on public land they shoot everything.
28	I would keep the archery the same only because if you can't draw a rifle tag you can always get the archery tags the problem is nonresident numbers need to be capped
29	Please have hunting ethics when you archery hunt
30	Preference and reduced costs to Residents similar to other western big game states.
31	The problem I see in my area as a landowner with numerous areas of public and walk in around me is that it would be nice if the walk in license could be limited for deer. On opening day there are 20 vehicles at one small parcel with no deer around. I get that is what walk in programs are for, but it would be nice if the people using it could have less hunters to deal with also. Like a sign up or something. Like montana does. I dont hunt walk ins, but I watch the show as it unfolds every season for the guys trying to do a hunt.
32	Do not open archery deer season so early; this will reduce the number of out of state archery deer hunters albeit it will reduce your income but lesson the pressure plus it is simply too hot.. many wounded deer are going to die and spoil before found. Please give me a call.. I would like to discuss and give you my thoughts; #####
33	`must start limiting archery hunters like rifle to a certain amount
34	archery hunters cripple and kill to many deer and are oportunitays away from rifle hunters.

35	I believe a cap on non resident archery licenses is needed. With the growth of the sport within the resident population it seems necessary to limit non residents. I realize at some point even residents will likely out demand the resources but the first line of defense, in my opinion, is to limit those whom do not call South Dakota home. The dramatic difference in success rates between resident and non resident further my point. It seems obvious we could reduce impact on the resource by limiting the non residents whom have a much higher success rate. Thanks for listening
36	switch archery to limited draw for specific units just like the rifle season.
37	What is the phone number to call to talk to someone when I have questions? I have never seen a license system Soo screwed up in my life for trying to find out information! I want a number to call and talk to someone. Call me at #####
38	Please limit out of state bow hunting.
39	The whitetail out number the mule deer by a lot it only makes good sense to limit both rifle and archery tags for mule deer
40	look like tags are going to be remove so disabled and others can get tags. \like with 5 area most will put in for one area and that the one area that some can only hunt they lose out, then the other person get to take all the as left overs. I see it in your other season you have done.....
41	limited access to private lands is our issue
42	Over the past 20 years of personally archery hunting primarily public land the increased pressure is definitely apparent. I'm not a fan of the term "restrict" given hunters will automatically perceive this as being taken away from the public, but I do favor certain public areas being managed differently. This is challenging to do I recognize given we all want opportunity to enjoy hunting, yet some areas have been overrun with pressure or the quality of the hunt is so poor due to pressure or increased harvest in these areas that something should be considered.
43	For the love of god would you please keep messing with a system that is working.
44	It would be nice if the LaFramboise and Farm Island recreation areas would have the same season dates as the rest of the state. I see no reason why they did not change with the season dates in the past.
45	Far more restrictions need to be enacted to limit numbers of non resident archery hunters. The last 5 years, I've noticed a drastic increase in non resident bowhunters in my area, and in my county (Bon Homme). Ive talked to a few different groups and they all said that they came here because it "was so EASY to get a tag, and they were cheap too". When MY area of the state is getting hammered by non residents, there's def a BIG problem with non resident numbers! My county has very little public land suitable for decent bowhunting, and the pressure is too much! We need more public land in my area that's specifically for big game hunting, NOT pheasants! And the little available deer hunting ground gets too much pressure as it is, and the influx of non residents has gotten way out of hand. Get us more suitable bowhunting land here please! Most of us don't have fat bank accounts to pay off the greedy landowners for a lease! Rediculous!
46	Itâ€™s all about nonresidents so just start offering all nonresident everything. Thatâ€™s what the state and landowners want.
47	Archery draw should have a limited number of licenses handed out. I found three deer last year that were dead with arrows in them.
48	Plant the trees and grass back. Problem solved.. \Why do we need mountains of rotten corn?? sitting around all year long in every small town in SD year after year.. this scandal has to come to an end doesn't it??
49	I have hunted mule deer on public the last few years with no harvest. All I seen was non residents and College kids. Canâ€™t believe the number of little young bucks theyâ€™re willing to harvest instead of a doe. Anything with horns theyâ€™ll shoot. Non residents seem to have no hunting ethics. Born and raised South Dakota resident and Iâ€™ve had it with this state. Changed the deer tag draw system and now all the family deer hunting traditions are gone cause no one can draw a fricken deer tag anymore. I wonder if anyone who works at the SDGFP is even from South Dakota.

50	There needs to be a cap on nonresident archery licenses. Because of out of state money there is starting to be an alarming amount of land being leased for archery hunting by nonresidents. This is restricting availability of land that has traditionally been accessible for residents.
51	There are too many non-resident licenses issued, plain and simple. There needs to be a cap on the number of non-resident licenses issued. The percentage of tag sales to non-residents is increasing faster than that of residents and it's going to be detrimental to the quality of hunts for those of us that live here.
52	I have just started archery hunting the last 3 years so don't have much experience. I did public land mule deer this last week and loved it. Hardly saw any other hunters where I went. For east river I hunt all private so no complaints there either. I know you need to balance your out of state license bc it's a big revenue for you, plus what money they spend at the local stores. So I would suggest going to a draw system for out of state hunters so you can cap it, but yet still get the income.
53	Just one tag per person
54	We have people coming to our state that don't know how to hunt public land. They don't follow regulations for hunting and also camping. People camping on small tracts of public land is a problem.
55	If your going to change from west river/east river and statewide to 5-10 different units and allowing 2 licenses. Only allow 1 to be a any deer the other should be a doe only and either whitetail or mule deer. That way if a area has a die off or a species population goes down or up to much you can control that easier.
56	Go back to your original proposal several years ago and give only one first choice application for rifle deer licenses. Two out of three years I can not draw a BH buck tag because others are taking two first choice tags. Then I would not have to buy a statewide archery license. I only hunt deer in the Black Hills. So if I want to go I need to get an archery tag. This would be a fairer system to all hunters and cut back on your archery license sales!
57	If changes need to be made I would first limit out of state tags. If that's not good enough I would return to all unlimited state wide only.
58	If the concern is of having too many deer taken in a year with archery, keep the resident opportunities the same and limit or eliminate nonresident tags. If it's a money thing auction off the limited nonresident tags or do higher priced lottery tags for non resident.
59	Having a statewide any deer license is nice! Say you are pheasant hunting somewhere and you decide to get up early and go archery deer hunting and then pheasant hunting later. Then you are able to archery deer hunt wherever you might be.
60	Charge non resident hunters more keep everything else the same but I know this is all a ploy to allow more non residents in to charge everyone more in the long run so western tag's can be sold at a higher premium I really don't know why you want our opinion because you're going to do what you want to anyway just leave it the same
61	We really need to restrict the number of mule deer hunters and rebuild our mule deer herds in South Dakota.
62	Adopt rules that match archery licensing applicable to the same rules and draw process firearms hunters are subject to. Also, take a serious look at the length of the archery season. Current rules are out of date when the advancements in "archery" technology that has significantly increased success are taken into consideration.
63	I think there should be a limited draw for non resident hunters. I think that the any deer tags should be a limited draw for residents and a new tag, any whitetail should be offered on an unlimited basis. I think we need to protect our declining mule deer population. Thanks.
64	I am not in favor of increasing non-resident hunting licenses. If resident license applications fall substantially then look at temporarily increasing out of state permits. We should not and cannot let out of state money determine our hunting opportunities. I think GFP is doing a pretty good job of regulating licensing at this time.
65	I am a landowner operator and Deer Hunter after my family harvest their deer I allow residents to hunt our ground which for most landowners is very rare. I very rarely consider hunting public ground because of the hunting pressure. Landowner operator and residence should have first choice. I know out of state hunters bring in a lot of revenue but that means nothing to me except for less deer population.

66	<p>Archery tags are fine. There are too many rifle mule deer tags given out. They are a different animal than a whitetail and can't survive rifle season. Way too many 1 to 3 year old mule deer die. We have 3 or 4 guys apply in 53 south unit and we get 2 any deer tags every year. 1 of us should get an any. We rarely see old mule deer bucks. Non residents hunt the neighboring land and wipe out all young muleys. The goal shouldn't be more hunters and more money. It should be to protect and preserve the wildlife.</p>
67	<p>Charge the out of state hunters more. The cost of the tags will automatically lower the number of tags until you hit your target. It's 8th grade economics. I'm sick of the SD GFP pandering to out of state hunters. We are being taken advantage of as residents. Charge what Montana and Wyoming charge for tags. We need to stop being the cheap option. You will make more money and limit tags at the same time. This is easy stuff, c'mon guys get it together..The GFP at one time had a vision statement that said something like "preserving wildlife for the people of SD." What happened to that? Why are the residents at the end of the whip? Don't worry your little buddies with hunting lodges and \$25,000 mule deer hunts will be ok. Those rich customers aren't going blink at a \$1500 tag. I wouldn't mind being on a panel or committee or something to help out with this. I'm passionate about it call me if you like my name is ##### and i have bowhunted this state for 30 years...#####. These comments are a bit prickly, however that's the point. This has gone on too long and we can do better by the people of SD.</p>
68	<p>Would like to have more antlerless whitetail units in yankton County</p>
69	<p>To many private land owners do not allow ANY hunting except for themselves or PAID hunters. The state pays for CRP land which is owned by a single owner. I pay taxes to help PAY for that land but yet I can not hunt it. That is BS! I go to ND as often as possible to hunt as they do not have the land Restrictions and not near as many issues or violations. Not to mention there are a lot more land owners that will let you hunt if asked.\Our state is become more greedy!</p>
70	<p>The reason that the number of archery hunters went up is because you guys messed with the draw structure for rifle hunting. You offered limited opportunities for rifle hunters so they move to archery. It's not that hard to figure out. Get rid of the nonresident archery hunters and provide more opportunity for residents.</p>
71	<p>It is nice to have the first month available just for residents, but as you know, it is not only quite warm in September but the crops are still out, making it harder to find bucks on public land. Non-residents flood these areas a resident may have been scouting and just beginning to figure out once temperatures cool and bucks begin taking interest in does, and non-residents do not come to South Dakota to shoot does.\ Between this influx of non resident archery hunters, then rifle hunters, deer are too pressured on public during the best time of the rut, and I believe non-residents only exacerbate this pressure when allowed to hunt from October to January. I would like to see non-resident tag numbers decreased, and their season limited to 2-3 weeks, as it is already this way for rifle. I don't believe the economic benefits (as many non resident bow hunters bring campers and food from their respective states in my experience) is worth the number of mature bucks they take when here. The number of mule deer and whitetails on public once pressured by outta staters has decreased the opportunities for residents in a magnitude not proportional to the revenue garnered for better habitat and more public land for me and my son, 5th and 6th generation South Dakotans.\\\ Thank you for your interest and time.\-#####</p>
72	<p>if you gave out more rifle tags you would have less archery hunters...we want to hunt and that's the only available tag. You put a limited draw on that and you'll lose more hunters...you make more money on out of state hunters but when they get a tag and you don't it gets kind of unnerving. you guys make a lot of money off tags and preference points so by the time someone gets a tag he is paying double i love hunting but if its all draw only I will be done and so will a lot of others I'm sure. hunters do talk to each other and the most common thing that comes up is preference points and cost of tags and you go up in the hills and there is alot of out of state plates, but you didn't get a tag Thank you if you read this</p>

73	I walk to where I hunt and do not use any tree stands. I have not seen another hunter in the woods or open walk in areas hunting with a bow the same time I have been. I spent 22 days on an archery elk hunt and did not see one other hunter in the woods. Everyone drives around on their 4 wheelers until they see something and then make a stalk. If you want to improve hunting in South Dakota limit access to these obnoxious and noisy vehicles unless the hunter is handicapped. They destroy the access roads and it doesnt seem like there is much money to fix them because they stay destroyed. Thank you
74	Unlimited archery tags for both deer and antelope both need to stop,
75	Current system is fine.
76	There are to many hunters in our county. The numbers have dropped at least 70% in the last two years because of the blue tongue and other diseases. You need to pull back on the license amount. Where we used to see a hundred head of deer two years ago you might see twenty head. Just talk to the game wardens and look at there head counts.
77	The number of nonresident archery deer hunters in the black hills is having a direct detrimental impact on deer populations, oppportunity for residents, competition for services (camping areas etc), and affecting the quality of our resident elk hunting experience. Obvious draw to the black hills is the public land and not having to obtain permission. Recent years has proven that even resident hunters are flocking to the hills for the same reason. We gotta change something because the quality of an elk hunt for south dakota residents, waiting ten to thirty years for our tag, has greatly diminished due to increased numbers of hunters using the areas and added pressure on the resource. We already deal with the ridiculous number of off road vehicles that the Forest service has catered to with our federal tax dollars.
78	If limiting anything - start with non-residents, that's how most other states do it (Iowa, Kansas).
79	The number of out of state archery hunters should be limited and they should be limited to hunting either East or West river. The harvesting of mule deer does should be limited for both resident and nonresidents to try and increase the herd. This could be done on a county basis and adjusted with herd surveys.
80	I find it odd that the gfp has just noticed the increase In archery hunters you choose to limit rifle tags and advertise all over in other states about how great the hunting and fishing is here. Of course there is an uptick in tags numbers. The public lands I hunt are very crowded and non resident hunters I talk with have trouble finding private land to hunt unless they pay to play. Haakon county for example has a great piece of public by Midland with potential for a great deer but the land owner pushed the deer off to his neighboring ground for his pay hunters. Our hunters dollars would be better spent elsewhere. Last year the deer I harvested ended up costing me far more than cow I bought and butchered. Luckily I can afford to still do it but many can't
81	Limit non resident tags and raise fee
82	Place a cap on resident archery licenses, allow an equal percentage, similar to firearms, to go to non-residence. September is too early for deer hunting, ruins chances for elk hunters, start after elk and antelope seasons are complete. Thank you!
83	Archery hunters are the least disruptive big game hunter as we are on foot. Not driving all over like rifle hunters and the ATV drivers.\We need to consider starting to limit the number of ATV permits on Forest Service if anything

84	<p>I would like to see some sort of mule deer "stamp" implemented for non residents; they almost all come here to hunt mule deer. I factually believe if the non resident pressure on mule deer specifically was reduced the health of the heard and age class of bucks would greatly benefit. The resident mule deer archery "stamp" pressure can also be limited to coincide but no residents are 80 plus percent coming here to hunt mule deer for cheap. Further; I believe it would be okay to give a non resident a tag every year that's valid for any whitetail, and then do a limited draw stamp/ access permit required to hunt mule deer in certain areas. I know this has somewhat been implemented in the custer National Forest but that's just the tip of the iceberg in my educated opinion; .access permits should also be necessary to hunt mule deer in the black hills. Harvest is far to high on herd that has failed to rebound for 15+ years. South Dakota is one of the/ if not the least expensive state to archery hunt as a non resident. All the other states charge us significantly more to go hunt their states, I see no reason that we shouldn't do the same. Revenue would increase tremendously making way for more management practices and/ or paying the hard working employees of GF&P a more competitive wage because what they do is extremely important for the future of wildlife in our state. I am certain tag sales would be very similar even with an increased price. The April deadline for non residents to hunt public land definitely helped limit pressure for the first year but the next year there were even more applicants than before implemented; so it hasn't limited pressure as much as the bowhunters of South Dakota had hoped. I think if limited archery tags ever come about (both non resident and resident) they should not be limited other than on public land. If we limit archery tags and someone solely hunts private property it's unfair to those individuals to not receive a license; when archery hunting might be the sole management form of a specific private property; limit that and it gives a land/wildlife manager no control over that specific property if they solely believe in archery hunting. Sorry for the long comment, very passionate about hunting and maintaining healthy populations and great experiences for all in the field without over pressuring areas. I have a wildlife and fisheries management degree from SDSU, so most of my statements are based on facts not just my personal opinion. Thanks for your time and feel free to contact me if you'd like to discuss any of my statements further.</p>
85	No comment.
86	<p>I have been an avid archery hunter for over 50 years so I can see the increase of archery hunters compared to the 1970s, 80s, and 90s. Archery equipment of today is so much better than older equipment which in itself has increased the successful harvest percent. With this being said the number of archery hunters has to be limited. I like the idea of breaking the state into four regions and limiting the number of tags in each region. Larger regions like the North West, South West, North East, and South East make sense to me as it allows a hunter to hunt most areas within 100 miles of their home. I live in Sturgis SD and currently hunt around Sturgis but I also hunt around Buffalo SD so larger areas allows me to hunt both areas. I generally don't hunt more than 100 miles from my home. I also would like to mention that the limitations the Game and Fish Commission put on Non-resident hunters in the North West part of the State to only allow hunting after October 1st was a great change!!! They deserve a pat on the back for that!!! It made archery hunting for residents far less crowded 9/1 to 10/1 in the Slim Buttes area. I would also like to see Non-resident hunters limited even more before any resident hunters are limited. Even if it means raising the price of a resident deer tag to cover the loss in license sales \$.</p>
87	Cut the non-resident license numbers way down and charge them higher fees. No non resident mule deer tags at all. There is a big shortage of mule deer as you well know.
88	Out of state hunters have wrecked archery public land hunting.
89	Further restrict Mule Deer tags to allow for the herd to increase in size. I would support completely closing harvesting of Mule deer for a year or two. Off subject, but allow hunters 60+ to use a crossbow for archery WITHOUT having to go and beg a doctor for a permit.
90	Would continue to monitor licensing trends for now for archery.
91	Unlimited archery hunter in limited draw areas such as 27L have destroyed populations and quality

92	In the last five years I have seen a steady increase in hunters. More and more tend to not be from South Dakota. This increase in use of public land has pushed deer onto private land and then has intern made hunters mad a private land owners that don't let them hunt. At lease I have personally seen more people trying to use abandon section lines to access public land. Some people don't respect the private land they access to get to the public land.
93	The question is being posed by, largely, resident and public land hunters who make up the large majority of bow hunters. Ironically, their success in rallying membership and bringing residents to the sport is also causing increased hunting pressure. \\If this is about restricting access/pressure - it seems the logical response is to focus on the biggest pool (non residents and residents on public land). Private land should be kept out of this, in my opinion. Limitations on private land would just be punitive and not address the concern.
94	I am a status quo person! You folks do this as a profession. You are the ones to know about your business. If I see input on a question or something that concerns me I have no issue in addressing it.
95	I see to many non resident hunters renting land and outfitter tying up large tracks of lands pushing residents and their kids out of the opportunity to find places to hunt.
96	No comment
97	I think itâ€™s fine how it is.
98	I think one thing that is affecting all of this is that there used to be a lot more smaller farmers and it was probably easier to gain access. Now the problem is that the farmers/ranchers are getting bigger and to access their land is getting harder
99	I only hunt a couple of days with archery each year, so having few restrictions makes it easy to ensure that I can hunt when I have the couple of days available.
100	Archery tags need to be included in the two first-choice application processes. Archery equipment today is so specialized and advanced that you can lethally take animals equal to the distances of muzzleloaders.
101	Afford enhanced opportunies for resident archers while either maintaining non-resident opportunities are either maintained or reduced
102	Archery hunting is a sport and shouldnâ€™t be limitedâ€¦ the gun seasons are the seasons to be limiting as the kill rate and the amount of illegal activities are extremely high. Most sportsman nowadays if they deer hunt most are all archery hunters 100%.\\I would adopt some of the laws that Missouri And Iowa have done to increase the amount of trophy harvests and managing deer herds with intensive harvest areas where needed.
103	Increased hunting pressure from non-residents, many of whom hunt public land, reduces opportunities for resident hunters. Non-residents tags should be limited to draws.
104	I favor more access drawings.
105	Limit nonresident mule deer hunters to very few
106	Non-residents should have a lottery system. Currently residents receive zero benefits for living in the state when it comes to competition from other states.
107	Allow anyone over 65 to use crossbows, like Minnesota.
108	I would like to see limited numbers in the hills area.\\I would also agree to limit the number of nonresident hunters.
109	Currently many east river hunter hunters use the 2 tag system to hunt private land east river and public land west river each season, from the people I have talked to not nearly as many west river hunters travel east to hunt due to the private land issue east river. This places more pressure on the west river unit and is unfair for the hunters that live west river. Also the time has come to begin limiting non resident hunters, we are issuing nearly 3 times as many archery tags that we do percentage wise rifle tags. Itâ€™s beginning to feel like our lands in South Dakota are being sold to anyone with a dollar at the expense of the people that live here. Instead of allowing u limited archery tags it would be nice to see some areas managed for more trophy potential. Also over the last few seasons I have noticed more and more non resident archery hunters afield during firearms season, this makes it much more difficult and creates conflict for the resource.

110	I would like to see the non-resident archery license be limited to whitetail only. We start getting small mule deer herds developed in the Black Hills then large groups of non-residents come in a wipe out most of the herd. Thank you for your time and asking us hunters for our thoughts and opinions.
111	Give anyone who does NOT receive an archery deer tag an extra preference point in ONE rifle season.
112	Archery license requirements are to lax in S.D. A more complete training for proper shot placement and animal recovery would be a great benefit for loss of wounded animals, not recovered or tagged, Lots of those stories....
113	Non residents should be lessened your new website really sucks
114	Needs to go to a draw for archery, as powerful as bows and crossbows are now, with many hunters shooting over 100yards it needs to be restricted and not unlimited over the counter tags any longer.
115	Close archery season the last 10 days before rifle season opens and make that 10 days a muzzleloader season. This would give older hunters who have difficulty with archery a chance at deer before the rifle season makes them totally skittish. The current muzzleloader season is too damn cold for older hunters and is a joke! \Archery season could re-open with the rifle season.
116	The number of nonresident hunters has to be limited. I feel they are pushing a lot of residents out of hunting due to the pressure on public lands. They are also paying big money to lease private land or go with outfitters that area leasing land for hunting that possibly could be open for public hunting if the demand wasn't so high driving up prices. Getting permission for archery hunting used to be as easy as knocking on a door. Now days, that is not even an option.
117	As us older deer hunters are becoming less physical, it would be great if the state would allow crossbow use for hunters over 65. I know that Minnesota allows crossbow use for their older deer hunters.
118	I am strictly a public land archery deer hunter, and mostly hunt the Black Hills and foot hills and I rarely see other archery deer hunters where I go. Most of the folks i come across are chasing elk in September and October or rifle deer in November. I don't really know what kind of pressure there is outside of the Black Hills.
119	Current season structure and license allocations are satisfactory. Only a few "loud" complaints from individuals who seem to feel entitled to specific locations and license options. Leave as is.
120	With the increasing harvest rates and numbers of both nonresident and resident bow hunters in SD I believe it would be best if we began to get ahead of the potential issues we are seeing already in our pronghorn population that with inevitably creep into our deer populations. If that means limiting each bowhunter to one antlered tag and one antlerless tag for starters I think we would see a helpful change. I truly do not believe the "unlimited" tag quotas for residents and nonresidents is sustainable for much longer, it is especially evident in the LAU set up for mainly for rifle seasons. North Dakota I believe does it right by having non residents apply for limited any deer archery tags while still allowing over the counter archery whitetail tags, maybe not the perfect system fix but it is a good starting point. And the amount of archery hunters I have personally seen hunting in areas that they did not obtain the correct access permit is deflating, if we can't police the residents to do the right thing are we really trusting that the nonresident populous will either? More presence by law enforcement officers would be a great sight to see on top of whatever changes may come. Thanks for reading/listening and for all you do in this great state.
121	Just seems like there are too many archery hunters trying to access the same areas. I think there needs to be some cap on the numbers of hunters per area/zone. I don't think you should be able to have an east river and west river tag. Maybe one tag and it is good for a certain east river unit and west river unit. Eliminate doe tags, mentor deer hunters seem to really be hammering the antlerless side of things. \I like the fact that we allow some non residents to hunt here, try to bring more revenue into the state. Possibly raise their tag up a little more? \The archery season is very long too. I like the early season having the chance for a velvet buck, but when they moved it up another 15 days I think the season should ended 15 days sooner. Give the deer a chance to relax a little after the rut and rifle season. They can't hide forever.

122	It is my opinion that there should be a drawing for all archery licenses just like there is for rifle licenses. The only way to control the number of archery hunters is through a drawing system with a limited number of archery licenses available. I do not believe we should be making it easier for either archery or rifle hunters to get a license or more licenses. Too many hunters has a detrimental affect on the quality of our big game hunting, and we have already exceeded that limit in South Dakota a long time ago. Being 81 years old, I had the opportunity to experience the best deer and antelope hunting that we ever had in South Dakota; and I can assure you that we do NOT have that quality now.
123	To many good bucks are being taken during the early portion of the archery season. Need to limit the number of tags so that rifle hunters have a good opportunity at a good buck.
124	Leave the season and license alone. It works fine.
125	I do not believe we need a season starting the first of September. It is long enough and should be delayed until the 15th or so like it used to be. Archery elk hunters in the hills should be given that time to enjoy the tag they waited so long for.
126	Leave it alone - \\I really think you folks need to focus on all the walleye tournaments - Limit
127	All resident and nonresident must pick only one east or west river tag\\Limited draw for nonresident tags
128	have not archery hunted in 5 years
129	Please restrict the number of NR licenses. For sure, it should not exceed the 10% that firearms licenses use in WR units. Since ER units don't sell firearms tags to NR, I don't think they should sell any to NR archery hunters either. So in summary, leave resident tags as-is; eliminate ER NR tags, and restrict WR/BH NR tags to less than 10% of resident tag numbers.
130	I believe that many archers in South Dakota get into the sport to have more opportunity at hunting elk (rather than deer). The increase in archery hunters has more to do with lack of accessible tags for both deer (under the new system in place for the last years) and elk (has historically been difficult to draw a firearm tag). Archery hunting for deer is the last "guaranteed" "any deer" tag you can count on. Don't further restrict hunting opportunity.
131	The out of state hunter are killing too many of our mule deer and antelope.
132	I live in Pierre and love having the option of buying a tag for both East and West river hunting. Having a statewide any deer tag also allows me to hunt east or west of the river if I am not able to afford to buy two tags. It seems that this is about hunters not wanting others too close.... if that is the case maybe they need to put more effort into their hunt or maybe hunting ethics needs to be a stronger point of emphasis. In my opinion the current tag system is not broken. If it isn't broken don't try to fix it.
133	Pretty soon you will have what currently we have for pheasant hunting more non-residents than residents hunting. I'm 73 years old and a resident of this great state all my life. Just makes me sad to see what we are doing that has turned off our resident hunters. Our youth just have turned a blind eye to hunting saying they have no where to hunt and the public ground is to crowded
134	allowing unlimited archery tags sales affect the number of tags that are available for firearm hunting by reducing the deer population.\\The best way to manage the deer herd is to restrict the number of archery hunters in smaller units similar to the firearm with fewer tags when the herd is small in a unit and with more tags when there are too many deer in a unit.
135	The price increases for out of state residents is getting very high. Please remember all of the born and raised in SD people that want to come back to hunt with family and friends. I know that one is tricky.

136	<p>Was very happy to see this survey come through. There is definitely a massive influx of hunting/public land hunting and has been very visible these past several season. \\In conjunction, the number of mule deer just isn't there in many of the public land areas that it was a few years ago. We definitely need to do something even if it's temporary to help the mule deer numbers. \\One options that wasn't there would be to make us hunters pick between having east or west river tag for archery. Theoretically this could help the mule deer as there are a lot of guys who want to hunt "at home" for their ER whitetail and won't give that up as often. This could help not only the number of mule deer but the quality as if they go west only for a weekend and want to just fill there tag with anything. \\Doing this could be a great start and maybe even just doing a limited draw for mule deer archery tags WR for a few years.\\We definitely need to do a unit by unit limited mule deer tag for NR. \\Please LIMIT black hills archery mule deer tags as well. The numbers are very bad, and so is the quality. \\Would be happy to discuss. I have spent a lot of time on public over the past 10 years and have got to watch the changes and trends \\Thanks a ton. \\#####</p>
137	<p>The public land pheasant hunters are the ones that ruin the deer hunting. there is one group after another going thru the land. the deer or pheasants don't have a chance to live there. There will be no quality public land deer hunting as long as the pheasant hunters have access to the land. you can restrict the deer hunters all you want but the success will not change until there is less pressure from all hunters.</p>
138	<p>While taking many trips out west and visiting with game wardens. I have come to the conclusion that out of state mule deer hunting is having a serious negative impact on the population. The archery hunters are either wounding or harvesting a number of young mule deer. These deer are hunted for months prior to rifle and muzzleloader season and hunters are taking young 1 to 2 year old deer. Not allowing them to mature. I would love to see more mule deer on my hunts. As a hunter and conservationists it would be nice to see stricter regulations for non resident archery mule deer tags.</p>
139	<p>I think SD should move the rifle deer season after the main rut season like Kansas does. That would help in preserving the more mature bucks for more mating seasons</p>
140	<p>Just went to Fall River and there is no antelope, where in the XXXX due think there four hundred bucks to shot with rifle</p>
141	<p>By limiting resident archery deer hunter in some areas, It would increase the quality of deer in the state. I am no big fan of out of state archery deer license. I think we need to have tighter restrictions on out of state hunters.I know the state likes the out of state revenue, but the residents of SD should be the priority. \\Just becasue your a resident of SD, this should be reason you automatically get a archery deer tag. Put a limit on the archery deer tags. This could be good for South Dakota deer hunting.</p>
142	<p>Way to many out of state mule deer hunters and South Dakota sells this way to cheap!! South Dakota needs to significantly raise the price of all out of state deer tags. There are way to many out of state deer hunters in South Dakota</p>
143	<p>Absolutely ridiculous seeing the excessive amount of archery tree stands on SD public property. Their success lowers deer numbers and gun-tag availability.</p>
144	<p>Need to limit the amount of non-resident Mule deer archery tags. Over the past 4 years of watching the pressure that is placed in Harding, Butte and Perkins Counties starting Oct 1 from non-residents going after mule deer is very high. I would be surprised if this wasn't the same in Custer, Fall River, Meade and Pennington however I have not spent any meaningful time in these areas to observe. Need to have some way to manage the amount of pressure in the areas that support mule deer. \\This could include having non-residents draw for a limited number of mule deer permits or having a quota that when filled that unit would close to the non-residents.</p>

145	<p>Please note. In your survey you use "restrict" but don't specify resident or nonresident. That ONLY "restriction" should apply to NON-RESIDENT only. You guys are ruining our beautiful state and killing what little wildlife and future resource we have. How can you possibly have a unlimited tag for a limited resource ??????. Easy solution. If it's money, charge double and cut non resident killing in half. Animals first, residents 2nd , and non residents last. The amount of customers , me included that are overwhelmed with Minnesota and Wisconsin hunters. The quality of our mule deer and antelope bucks on public are at an all time LOW. To find a mature mule deer on public land is IMPOSSIBLE compared to 10 years ago.\\#####. #####. The decline in Animals on public land and increase in non residents in the past 10 years is overwhelming and so sad. I cannot believe how the game and fish has allowed our state to be so overrun instead of protecting our wildlife and giving our residents and future bowhunters a place to hunt without paying ridiculous outfitter charges. It saddens me dearly for the future of my kids and future bowhunters. I would love to talk to people that are actually in charge and make decisions. Every time I try it seems to go on deaf ears.\\#####</p>
146	Resident and nonresident archery hunters are putting excessive pressure and harvest on deer populations on public land. This seems to be especially intense in highly sought after rifle tag units.
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148	Archery is hard not as many tags filled
149	You need more conservation officers in the northwest part of the state during all hunting seasons
150	Way too many nonresident hunters!
151	This trend will continue. People want to hunt deer and if they can't draw a rifle tag, they will buy an archery tag. Moving to a limited draw "any" tag for archery deer is only fair.
152	Unlimited non-resident archery tags is unsustainable on public land. I would allow unlimited on private land only. \\Need to increase cost of non-resident archery tags to reflect western surrounding states and create a draw system.
153	I would like to see statewide archery tags eliminated for residents and non residents. Additional I would like residents to have to pick one archery license - East River or West River. \\I would be in favor of making non resident archery tags "Any Whitetail" instead of "Any Deer," or have a set number around 500 non resident "Any Deer" tags and the rest be "Any Whitetail."
154	An option could be for reduced priced landowner only archery tags like rifle, but don't put the minimum 160 acre landowner requirement as there are several smaller hunting properties that are good for archery hunting. The tags would be only good for landowners to use on their own properties. This would help break your overall numbers down further as to what percentage of license holders are hunting on private/public land.
155	I would leave licenses as they have been.
156	Remove the public land restriction during the month of September so nonresident archery deer hunters can have a change at velvet deer on public land
157	I mainly believe there needs to be limited tags
158	I have all but quit going west river to archery hunt mule deer as the public land I had hunted in past is overrun with out of state hunters. Same goes for archery antelope. I feel the number of tags needs to be controlled and not unlimited.
159	I think hunters should be able to get one deer tag.....rifle or archery and that is it. They chose to apply. Just too many deer being shot right now. I know of guys that shoot 5-8 deer a year and then five it away or goes to waste. This is not the reason we hunt.
160	I believe the rules as they are now are fine.
161	If there is too many archery deer hunters then limit the nonresident hunters not the resident hunters!
162	Restrict non resident archery hunters. Resident archery hunters is ok
163	I feel the non resident hunter should be on a lottery draw system.

164	The Long running youth seasons are much harder on doe populations than archery. My last hunt on public last was in Oct and the deer were wilder than I have ever seen. It's time to restrict numbers and focus on a quality experience.
165	Make archery the same as a gun season. Apply for a certain county. Landowner preference should be used for that also.
166	I would like the statewide option to remain for archery hunters. I have ongoing permission on private land in both Hand and Meade counties. Depending upon the weather and food source availability for the deer, with a statewide permit I am able to move about to increase my odds of harvesting a deer. I very much appreciate having this flexibility. If there is a concern that SD is getting too many archery hunters in the field, then it would be my thought that the first step would be to limit the availability of nonresident tags. Nonresidents are limited to 8% of the licenses available for west river firearm deer hunting units, possibly a cap could be placed on the number of licenses available to the nonresident hunters.
167	Due to the availability of tags in rifle units I have put most of my time and money into archery hunting I love exploring and hunting all over the state with this tag but mostly hunt close to home. I'm not taking deer in many units but it gives me a chance and opportunity to get out enjoy our outdoors and public lands. Take into account that just because somebody gets an access permit doesn't mean they hunt it hard. I own a cabin at angostura and get the permit just in case I see an animal I want to pursue I spent one maybe two days a year hunting around my cabin with most of my time in the black hills some on the prairies exploring. Due to limited access I cannot hunt even one day next to my property and hate it. I have never harvested an animal on the hill ranch but my son and I spend a day or two a year glassing and hiking that region and now I cannot do that due to the access permits. I would like to have the opportunity back to hunt around their if I please to, granted I don't hunt it hard but I like to have the option.
168	It is a good thing that we are seeing more archery hunters! We need more people out hunting. Successful archery hunting is difficult and challenging; having a few limited access units is nice if one wants to go after some bigger, older bucks.
169	i would like to get a west river and east river any deer permit and not have to choose west or east, i hunt mostly private ground.
170	The more restrictive you make hunting, the harder it is to recruit new hunters into the sport. Archery success is still relatively low in comparison to gun hunting. Many people just appreciate the opportunity to be able to participate in this awesome outdoor hunting activity.
171	I haven't noticed a problem with TOO many archery hunters.
172	Archery tags should be subject to the limitations of rifle deer and included in that draw system vs being separate.
173	I have really enjoyed the past archery seasons and licenses. Hopefully you do not mess up a great archery season. Please do not change anything.
174	I would like to see a single Archery Deer tag considered as part of the "1 of 2" tags a resident can apply for. Incorporate this with the firearm application, making it a Deer Hunting Application. I don't see were it is necessary for anyone to have more than two "any buck" tags in this state for any given year. The public land in our state is an awesome resource, but it certainly can't continue to handle this kind of pressure while continuing to provide an exceptional hunting experience.
175	The license requirements which changed a few years ago make it more difficult for non residents to ourchase firearms licenses and putting more restrictions on non resident archers is foolish!
176	The increase in archery hunters is driven by the sense that the firearm drawings have become too difficult to reliably get a tag, and hunters want to hunt. If hunters drew firearm tags more frequently the archery numbers would go down.
177	Just starting to archery hunt because of the difficulty getting a rifle tag in my preferred units. While it is hypocritical to want archery tags limited also, I think the health of the herd and quality of the hunt may be improved by limited licenses.

178	Technology has increased success. People are routinely shooting 100yards. Leasing private land by non residents is shutting out residents. Residents are flooding the public. We donâ€™t have the numbers to support this pressure. Please reduce the non residents significantly! 50-75%. Eliminate the September opener. Shorten the season from mid Oct to mid December. This will reduce the harvest and still provide opportunities. Thank you.
179	Non residents need to be strictly reduced. High pressured ares like Lincoln co Harding co or other Counties need access permits. Maybe not the whole county but areas like Newton Hillsand other high pressures areas. I donâ€™t want 5 or 10 zones as that might be to restricted and hard to get a license. How about a reduced season. In about 1978 Lincoln county archery season didn't start until Nov 1and you weren't allow to archery hunt in Newton Hills State Park. Although at that time farmers would let you hunt. Now J#####. I think if farmers or ranchers that get money for crop damage and recive compensation should be made to allow some hunter access. How about if the archery season didn't start until Oct 1st like it use to or later in high pressure areas. September is is to hot weather wise for deer hunting. West River in Sept you just need to set up by water. Thanks for the survey I've been archery deer hunting since 1973 and rifle hunt my first deer in Lincoln county in 1966
180	I have 3 sons that come back every year to archery hunt together on my private land. One son lives out of state, so this is his only chance for us to continue the tradition creating great family memories. We do not hunt any public land
181	There are certain areas like the Black Hills for example, where it would at least be nice to see the number of mule deer tags limited (maybe to residents only) and overall the number of nonresident tags capped across the state. That could be an awesome spot for mule deer, but when non resident hunters come to hunt, they aren't going home empty handed and they end up shooting these mule deer standing off the road just to say they shot a mule deer. Especially the guys from out east that don't have the opportunity to shoot mule deer. \\Youth hunting I also feel should be limited to whitetails out there. They also shoot the first stupid mule deer off the road and we wonder why numbers are down. Limit some of this stuff to whitetail only and help out the mule deer!!!! When I drew the any deer rifle tag out there a few years ago, there were decent numbers of mule deer around. By the time rifle season came, numbers were terrible because of the reasons described above. After talking to many resident hunters, they expressed the same concern. Also, when you are archery hunting out there and you have multiple people stalking the same deer at the same time, that is a huge problem!!! That should not happen.\\I also feel that one archery tag per hunter is enough. With the increase in technology, how many more deer are dying these days because guys are shooting at them 100 yards away and wounding them? Way more than the average person realizes!!!\\My vote is one archery tag per resident hunter.\\Limit non resident hunting and increase their fees!!\\Limit non residents in certain areas to WT only.\\Limit youth hunters to shooting WT only in areas like the Hills.
182	Limit out of state archery hunters to 3500 statewide only tags by drawing and increase license fee to \$500 to be more in line with other states. There would be less crowding on public lands then.
183	There is just not enough public ground for everybody and the out of stater have enough money to pay for access on the private ground. Starting to remind me of what happened to pheasant hunting , no pay no play.
184	My issues are not with the number or type of Archery hunters on public land, its with all of the additional types of hunting seasons going on at the same time. Safety has become a major concern to me and several other family members when considering hunting public land. Allowing people to rifle hunt anything when there are camouflaged people setting "trying to hide" is a big concern and should be addressed.
185	The use of cross bows for older hunters should be allowed above a certain age.
186	As a Hunter and SD resident I think the state of SD needs to be more restrictive on out of state hunters and Fishermen also. If they want to come play make them pay!

187	As far as i'm concered you created this problem. You limit rifle hunters to apply for only 2 tags and it hasn't changed anything for drawing. It takes longer now to draw a tag. You ##### up a good system. A system that was working. More people are applying for archery tags because they can't draw a rifle tag. Now you want to mess this system up to. Go back to the way it was and start thinking things threw before changing things. If i remember correctly people didn't want the old system to end but you did it anyway so honestly this survey is stupid. Your going to do what you want and not listen to the actual hunters of South Dakota.
188	If there are areas that GFP is worried about population, I would think making that a draw area would make sense. If they draw that area, they can't get that east/west river tag. \\I would also be supportive of some areas with point restrictions to have a few trophy areas.
189	I have never archery hunted.
190	Consistently running into more and more nonresident hunters reducing the quality of the hunting experience. Getting very crowded since ONX now shows everyone that South Dakota has so many available licenses and public land. These numbers need to be reduced and controlled in my opinion
191	Maintain the current archery options but force hunters to pick their weapon. If you choose archery season then you're ineligible for the 1st draw of rifle season for ER or WR and vice versa. I rifle hunt but if I had to choose my season it would be ER archery every time. WR I would choose rifle season, etc.
192	Can you consider a resident senior 67 plus crossbow license. I have a crossbow license now and I am 76. It sure makes it more enjoyable and gives you a better chance of filling your license.
193	Add a separate Black Hills unit and be able to get two tags or the one state wide tag
194	I think there are way too many non resident deer hunts. They are the ones who come here and hunt the mule deer more then residents. I think South Dakota should try to make the state or certain units trophy units.
195	Iâ€™m fine the way it is. Donâ€™t fix another draw thatâ€™s not broke like you did with rifle draws!!! Collect the check and leave it alone!
196	Nonresident licenses need to be limited and subject to draw just as as I have to do in other states as a nonresident myself. i have been applying in Wyoming for instance for nine years for a mule deer unit and have yet to get drawn for a license. Mule deer in South Dakota are especially a special resource that must be limited on a draw basis for non residents. Why do we impact adversely the opportunities for residents by making things open and easy for non residents? Other states do not.
197	Need to manage # of non-resident hunters for deer and antelope. We are very cheap and get inundated with out-of-state hunters.
198	IF we limit Non resident deer tags for firearms, it would make sense to limit archery. I feel like large block of public west river, for mule deer are being hunted to hard for archery and then for limited rifle, compared to 10 years ago. I'm ok with NR hunting private land, but it is getting hard to get permission to hunt on private as well as residents. I know some other states, are offering public and private deer lic, esp for firearms. Might be worth a conversation. \\It might just be time to limit deer tags for residents and landowners, outside there own land. \\I hunt in NE SD and there are plenty of treestands on all the little pieces of public, esp GPA.
199	I am more concerned about number of tags filled than number sold. If this is just about compation between hunters for opportunities then my thoughts would be more controlled units. If cutting back on liecenses is an option cut back the nonresidents.
200	none
201	If youâ€™re wanting less hunting pressure per person I have 19years preference for Black Hill elk this is wrong I want the system audit to make sure of fairness and no tampering so be careful what you wish for you may die before you get to hunt your special area
202	I believe you should limit the number of resident and nonresident archery hunters on public land. \\Please do not restrict the amount of resident and nonresident archery hunters on private land. Private Land archery tags should be unlimited.

203	Deer population is way down west river in both Custer and Fall river county where I hunt. I go many square miles without seeing game.\I think we need to limit youth licenses to 10 years of age and older. no reason to be killing so many does when the population is down so much
204	I don't want to see numbers of hunters reduced or costs increased. The licenses are expensive enough. I believe we are already heading down the road toward making hunting a sport solely reserved for the rich and privileged. It needs to stop!
205	Some of the west river muley areas may need to be regulated, but also with that said there needs to be access to the land locked public lands.
206	Dont ##### this up like you did with the rifle seasons!!!\Why do you ask our opinion when you do what you want anyway!!!!
207	I feel that non resident licenses should be limited by lottery draws and only with a certain number available
208	Do away with specific archery, and muzzle loader tags. Make the rifle draw a any weapons season. You would have your draw tag that would apply to season dates, as they are now. if you filled your tag early in the archery season you could not hunt the rifle season.
209	I feel non resident bow licenses should be increased in price.
210	decide on a harvest number and do draw system like rifle
211	I feel that out of state hunter take our resource for granted and are flocking here in droves. I was amazed at the large volume of non resident hunters in the western half of the state. I only make it there once in a while but every time it out of state and in stage pressure was very heavy. I had a friend with a rifle tag in 35L and he said that the number of non residents during rifle season was high. I know some restrictions have been implemented but lets have some more premium areas.
212	SD gives out way too many nonresident archery deer tags. We need to move to a limited draw for nonresidents. I've hunted a lot on public lands in Meade/Harding/Perkins Co and it seems like over 50% of the hunters I run into are out of state. It's too crowded to have an enjoyable hunt without someone else screwing it up for you.
213	Because South Dakota limits all deer applicants due to the draw method. The archery application leaves the public, non-landowner hunters their only means of hunting deer many times. I do think there are too many landowner license opportunities that leaves the working people non- landowners very limited chances of drawing successful. For that reason, I do believe, that is why there is an increase of archery applications. \That is from my experience-- Many years I do not draw, so for me to experience the beautiful SD outdoors sitting in a blind I must do it with a bow.
214	there are way too many archery deer hunters on public land. The number of hunters should be controlled.
215	Maybe have units for non residents so they do not all show up in the same area

216	<p>The whole Archery hunting/license "numbers/non resident" issue started with concern "supposedly" over "public lands" with to high Non Resident Archery hunter numbers. Simply put I believe this has happened and will continue to happen unless "all" "public hunting lands" as it pertains to Archery deer/antelope and particularly public lands that are hunted for Mule Deer and Antelope have a "limited access/license status" requirement, when it comes to the number of Non Resident Archers allowed on "all" "public lands" for the purpose of Archery hunting.\Where I personally have a problem with ## ##/SD Bowhunters Association is when\they "try" to expand the "Archery license numbers limits" to "my" and "all" "PRIVATE" land. As\ a very active and knowledgeable land manager as it pertains to wildlife species found across the state of South Dakota I know what my specie numbers are/ratios/age groups/carrying capacity etc and manage all of my private land and all of my leased private land in terms of how many Archery hunters I allow to access my private lands on a year to year basis. I resent to my core what ## ##/SD Bowhunters Association are trying to do which is "control"\my "private" land with what were misleading/misrepresented "Archery petitions" initially introduced in 2019 where "public land" was supposedly the focus of the original petitions- I believe that was simply intended as the "foot in the door" approach to limiting Non Resident\Archery hunters in South Dakota- fast forward to this round of ## ##/SD Bowhunters Association "Archery deer/antelope petitions" and their "hard limit Non Resident Archery number/license and "lottery" drawing approach- when I read through this round of petitions\aimed at Non Resident Archery deer/antelope hunters I didn't find the initially focused "Public\Lands" language- i.e, we find ourselves with the true intent of the ##/SD Bowhunters Association "Archery deer/antelope petitions" submitted in 2022 and that is "Total" control over all South Dakota lands both "public" and "private"-- there in lies a major problem, my private\lands and those of my fellow responsible/educated and knowledgeable landowners are not allowing over hunting of any kind, much less Archery deer/antelope. \My advice to the SD GF&P is exercise control over all of South Dakota's "public hunting lands", \put a "hard limit" on that land, because the reality is you will never have "enough" state/federal "public" hunting land and with 80+ percent of all SD lands privately owned- it is certainly a wise policy to work with the private landowners of SD, without there support there will be a much bigger problem than "Non Resident Archery hunters"- on limited "Public Lands" and lastly, but\not least lets not forget the "Economic" part of this because "DOLLARS" are a part of this- last time I checked Non Residents Archers contribute at a rate of 7times the Resident Archery hunters- which is only fair and in reality a modest increase in Non Resident Archery license is certainly not out of line- there is much more to the economics part of the "Non Resident Archery numbers/license" issue, but I trust that the main players at SD GF&P are well aware of that part of the equation also.\Common sense and logic are always a good choices- Thank You for allowing a long time Archery hunter of 50+ years to weigh in on this Non Resident Archery hunting issue.\#####</p>
217	<p>Has the harvest % increased along with the number of hunters? We should keep our non-resident hunting fees in line with other western states. GFP should keep more abreast with the deer numbers in different areas of the state. I don't understand why for many years several east river counties didn't have antlerless permits, then suddenly in 2021 several had double tags.</p>
218	<p>I take my son out west every fall. We are from the far east side of the state. We enjoy our trip out west as it is our vacation for the year. Deer numbers are good out west and only surplus of hunters I see is nonresident bow hunters. Resident archery not an issue. If any change at all is needed It would be limiting number of nonresident bow hunters. Thank you</p>
219	<p>If want to limit tags, Limit non-residents don't punish the residents that live here, that contribute with taxes and everyday life and outdoor things.</p>
220	<p>Limit the amount of non-resident hunters</p>

221	<p>Some of the questions in this survey are difficult to answer and probably should not have been asked or at least worded differently. It seems like we're being led to provide inaccurate answers. Look at how elk tags are issued in this state! A limited resource and NO non-resident tags are issued. With deer and antelope firearm tags, non-residents are offered a very low percentage of the total tags, not even close to the same number as residents. Why then are we allowing non-resident archers to flood our state in unlimited numbers? I believe the bottom line as far as tags go is that residents should have first choice at tags with limitations on the number of nonresidents. I believe it should be that simple. If we get to the point that resident archers are putting too much pressure on the big game herds, then we may need to implement a draw system for residents as well, but I don't believe that is currently the case. Please limit the number of non-resident deer and antelope archery tags to be used on public land to allow residents to experience the quality hunting we have come to know. Thank you</p>
222	<p>The Black Hills any deer needs to be changed. Too many mule deer are being taken out by resident and none resident hunters by archery and rifle hunters can't draw a tag for mule deer because of restrictions on number of tags issued</p>
223	<p>I think we need to cap nonresident archery licenses and up the price. I hunt out of state every year for elk and the license is about the cheapest part but if it went up we would still go. I think we pay \$650 for elk and yes we have also deer hunted in these western states also just not as much because we are building points and those tags are between \$450 and \$500 I believe. Just saying I've hunted out of state 18 of the last 21 years and never once thought not this year the tags are to expensive.</p>
224	<p>It is time to restrict NR archery deer, NR archery antelope, and NR BH turkey. SD has become the state for any NR without a tag to come here. It's a guaranteed tag and the opportunities are better than most places they would go but it comes at a cost to the resident hunter with relative over crowding and the additional harvest affects the other rifle tag quotas. The most logical way is to cap the NR seasons listed above to 8% of the resident licenses sales from the year prior or the 5 or 10 year average. Also creating additional management units with access permits are needed for units like Minnehaha Co, West Sully, and the Ft. Pierre National Grasslands. For additional discussion feel free to contact me at ###. #####, President, High Plains Wildlife Assoc. Pierre/Ft. Pierre</p>
225	<p>It would be nice to know the density of archery hunters in different parts of the state. The overall number of archery hunters may seem like a low number and it is encouraging to see the number of archery hunters increasing. As a hunter who relies on public land opportunities, it feels like the density of archery hunters in the highest quality public access habitat has increased tremendously. Perhaps limiting access in more of the highest quality public access areas would be beneficial.</p>
226	<p>I believe that with the number of hunters and the overall success rate of archery hunting, the deer tags need to be limited, at least on the larger blocks of public and public access land. I would not feel bad as a resident hunter not being able to draw a tag every year if the quality and quantity of deer would be improved. This would also regulate the pressure on deer and I believe make a more quality hunt each time a tag was drawn.</p>
227	<p>Non resident s should be limited draw only, not everyone gets one. And should be black hills choice or prairie choice.</p>
228	<p>If we knew the harvest percentage it would help with our decision. Thank you</p>
229	<p>Non resident flood the public lands looking for mule deer . For example the shadehill campground for past 5 years always has large groups from Minnesota hunting the grand river grasslands and game production areas shooting anything they can .</p>
230	<p>I haven't hunted mule deer specifically east or west river for awhile. I think the current system works well. If the numbers need to be controlled more specifically then regions might be the way to control that. I also wouldn't be opposed to more statewide anydeer tags if the deer population can handle. Say doing 2 state wide and eliminate the east/west river specifications. However the game fish department needs to manage the population. I am NOT in support of a lottery for deer tags for archery.</p>

231	Our opinions as hunters really do not make a difference as whatever the GFP have decided to do is what is going to happen. A perfect example of this is when there were public meetings regarding the current license draw system. The GFP knew going into the public meetings what they wanted to do, and the meetings were basically window dressing to allow the public to think they had an input. The question was asked if the GFP already had made a decision on what was going to happen and the representatives looked all of us in the eye and said no. Low and behold, the exact examples that we were asked to "hypothetically" fill out was exactly what the current draw system is. I personally have received fewer "draw" licenses than before the changes. So I have no doubt that there is already an idea of what is going to happen, and these "inputs" are a waste of everyone's time and effort.
232	Way to many bow hunters now. There needs to be a lottery draw for them also. If u lottery draw rifle hunters the same should go to bow hunters.
233	I think it is ridiculous that we offer unlimited nonresident archery deer tags. I know this is all about money, but we need to look to have a future population of deer. When I try to hunt mule deer I see nonresidents very often. It makes it very hard for a resident to enjoy what we have here when there is always someone where you try to hunt, as there is only so much public land and that is where most of the nonresidents hunt. Also, the more pressure there is on public land, the more deer get pushed to private land. This happens often and then when rifle deer opens the hunt is much harder as well as most of the deer have been trained to avoid public land. I have seen many times where they come within about 50' of the public land, but know not to cross the line. I would highly recommend limited nonresident tags
234	Archery license is being handled just fine. Season I don't think needs to start as early the last week of September or 1 October is good enough. There should be no hunting of any kind archery Or gun after 1 January
235	Limit out of state hunters and charge them more.
236	Seems like some public hunting areas have more trail cameras and deer stands than what would be optimal.
237	As a non-resident land owner I find it rather unfair I had to wait five years to draw rifle whitetail deer tag. I feed them! I watch over sixty head in the spring green up annually. And it is like that in every valley. I do not see as many now, but between heat, fawns and the bustle of summer tourist season I expect less. But they are still there. I see no other hunters in the hills where I have my home, I cant say "when I'm out hunting" cause I haven't been because of this license system of South Dakota's.
238	At my age, I now longer hunt trophies and just want a peaceful hunt to enjoy the outdoors whether I harvest a deer or not. I don't always fill and my largest complaint would be the number of hunters that seriously grab every tag available. This has decrease the overall quality of deer and has made other deer seasons limited to once every three years for draw success. I do not want to compete for the right to enjoy the outdoors.
239	The black hills has to many archery hunters killing mule deer
240	I would like to see non-resident any-deer licenses limited along the Missouri River corridor and all of west river. I am not opposed to a modest increase in non-resident tags, but I don't believe we need to match our prices to that of other western states. We will only price out the regular hunters. We don't want to make hunting just for the wealthy! Another option that I think is reasonable is to have the west river deer draw for rifle and if the person draws a tag they could purchase an archery stamp. If they harvest a deer with the archery permit they are done hunting.
241	There are far too many non resident archery hunters. They shoot anything that is brown. Deer are no longer growing to trophy size in many areas where access to non resident hunting is. Their needs to be a limit on hunters especially non residents and a limited draw. Some areas should go to a 4 point or better harvest requirement
242	It would be nice on some public lands that there were restrictions to archery hunting only or big game only. Too many times I have had bird hunters or small game hunters screw up hunts! Hunting on public land requires work and archery hunting on public land even requires more. These guys hunting rabbits and squirrels mess up hunts in 5 minutes that I have involved weeks planning!! Its a little frustrating to say the least! Maybe some land especially large blocks of timber mainly good for deer hunting be limited to deer hunting only.

243	Archery deer season opens too early! You need to limit the number of deer harvested with archery equipment in the Black Hills.
244	Over the years SD GFP has greatly reduced the number of tags/opportunities for hunters in the firearms season. This has been a major catalyst in the increased participation in archery hunting. You created the monster....it's the only guaranteed tag you can get. The GFP has increasingly shifted away from providing opportunity to a trophy mentality. When we attend meetings and it's admitted that they haven't flown for years, and that management is being based on success rate.... that's just flat wrong! We need opportunity if we expect future generations to come into the fold.
245	Extend the Length of the Season into the New Year!
246	With the advancement of archery equipment and hunting gear in general have given advantages to archery hunters. The season is very long and allows constant pressure on an already stressed herd. I want us all to enjoy the outdoors but leveling the playing field at times is necessary.
247	This is slippery lawyer questioning. You already have the agenda picked out how you want people to answer by asking for people's input worth limited options. Therefore, the department is not trusted in this line of question and answers. We have taken away opportunities from South Dakota residents in the last 10 years. Living in this state should mean something. First thing is limit licenses for nonresident hunters, should do the same as what Iowa does. If 25,000 resident archery licenses are issued, then only 7% what remaining would be allowed for non-residents. This is the same guideline that it's been implies for years with a GFP limit to 7% of the licenses because that's all public land access. That should only apply to antler deer. Antlerless tags should not count in the total number on resident count. Second stop the over counter tags for non-resident. \\The hunting crowd has changed over the years. We have gotten along just fine. But we have several people that have opinions and we have social media. What the state needs to do is elect game commissioner. Make hunting and fish a constitutional right in South Dakota. Illuminare the game Commission by governor picks. When the Commission ask the opinion of the hunting public they do not listen to the voice of the people. The department of tourism is not the game fish and parks but it's being run like it is. SDP
248	Non-resident mule deer hunters are having a negative impact on buck numbers in my opinion. Not just taking mature animals but too many younger bucks. While unlimited tags are especially nice for residents it may be necessary at some point to go to a draw system so populations can be healthy in the more popular areas...
249	I have seen more and more nonresident Muley hunters on public land every year. I just don't see how the declining Mule deer population can support all this extra pressure. I think the current nonresident start date and April 1 deadline were a good start. NR Muley tags should be limited draw only.
250	Get ride of the goofy rule about nonresident deer hunters have to apply before April 1 to get tag valid on public and private land. It would be better to restrict the number of licenses.
251	Do one for the firearm season. The way the drawing system is set up is unfair.
252	Get rid of non residents archery hunters .
253	Take the advice of The South Dakota Bowhunters Incorporated. This is a dedicated organization to the state of SD and has proven to be in the know on issues dealing with archery hunting in our state. TAKE THEIR ADVICE!
254	Seems like the deer herd numbers are way down would also think tag numbers would also go down with the population
255	Is there a possibility of having a drawing for non-resident archery license's?
256	Limit archery licenses to one any deer
257	All archery licenses should have a limited draw just like the firearm licenses!

258	<p>A higher percentage of hunters use archery equipment across the country than used to. There's also a higher percentage of people that spend time chasing a big deer so they're spending more days afield hunting to harvest a deer. Yes, there are places in the state that there's quite a bit of pressure but compared to other parts of the country it is not even close to the same amount of pressure. I'm not sure what is trying to be determined by this survey, I can only speculate that it's to determine if archery hunters should be restricted more.</p> <p>That's sad if that's the case because archery hunters are generally putting in more time and not seeing the same success as other weapon methods. I highly value the flexibility I have to hunt either east river, west river, or statewide for the period of time that the season is open. I can buy an east river tag and generally hunt one area but if I get lucky and shoot the deer I wanted then I can buy a west river tag and extend my season so it isn't over. Or I can buy a statewide tag because I'm limited on the amount of time I can spend archery deer hunting that fall but I have the option to hunt in the western part of the state but if I don't fill my tag then I can use it east river around home when I have time. \The biggest issue I can see is with nonresident hunters increasing because the season starts September 1 so more people are traveling to SD to harvest a velvet buck. The only change I might agree with is to limit nonresident hunters to after September 15 or something similar. But even that means that the state loses out on some revenue and economic spending by those hunters that come to target a velvet buck.</p>
259	Try and favor on the South Dakota residents when it comes to license and limit the non-residents and the availability of licenses sold on their behalf!
260	As this survey has said the number of archery had increased and number of deer have decreased so we need to do something to limit the hunting pressure.
261	The number of non-resident archery licenses needs to be reduced. This would be accomplished with a very limited draw for non-resident licenses. This would help reduce the number of archery hunters, while continuing to provide for a quality hunt for residents and non-residents alike. Archery licenses in the hands of resident hunters should take precedent over non-resident hunters obtaining licenses.
262	I'm not a big fan of nonresident big game hunters..... Same feelings for our fishing. Other states close there walleye season in the spring so they come over and take as many of ours as they can. \ NO THANKS!!!\if it's closed in there State then it should be closed for them here also.
263	There is interest in archery hunting because it allows an any deer tag, and is statewide. Where as with rifle and muzzleloader it is difficult to get an any deer tag, and is too limited to one county. With access to hunting land what it is, it is nice to be able to hunt in several counties. The land owner preface is abused by members not the farmer living on the land taking up the any deer tags.
264	I have more trouble with gun seasons. Youth, mentored, muzzleloaders, regular rifle seasons. Where I normally hunt, there is always some kind of firearm season going on.
265	I would like to see the GF&P allow crossbow deer hunting for hunters that are 60 years of age or older. You have age preferences for the younger hunters in the state for their hunting opportunities so I think you could give us older hunters the same consideration. Maybe at the next GF&P commission meeting, this issue could be brought up for discussion amongst the members. Thank- you .
266	Non residence should have to enter a draw. 20% of archery tags sold of the previous year.
267	Keep it the way it is gfp has messed up every aspect of other big game licenses in the past 5 years which is making it so that people don't get excited about hunting. Number of bow hunters has gone up because the number of people getting rifle tags is more restricted. People still want to hunt so your die hard hunters who don't get a rifle tag get bow tags just to experience the excitement. It not always about getting a deer it's about teaching the next generation and enjoying the outdoors.
268	I would like to see a increase in public land.
269	We need to limit non resident archery hunters more than we do already. We also need to charge more for non resident tags. If they want to come here and shoot a deer they will pay for the tag.
270	If needed just limit Buck tags available, I still see plenty of deer around and dead in roads. So I don't believe it's a population issue, maybe ppl whining because there is competition in œ their spot•, but it's the name of the game. Or is it a way for G,F &P to capitalize \$ on the popularity??

271	Maybe I missed it but what is the success rate for archery hunters? In the past 5 years I have harvested one female deer. I know many other archery hunters who were just as unsuccessful, so I am curious about the numbers.
272	Many non residents will shoot doe and young bucks to fill a tag towards the end of their trip since they drove so far. The tag should switch to any buck or at least no mule deer doe. Non resident numbers should also be decreased, or maybe switched to unit specific so numbers can be better managed.
273	Need antlerless archery permits in all of bon homme County, not just in the designated area
274	Ban shooting mule deer does till population expands.
275	I like the way it is now. Gives you flexibility to be able to hunt the areas you have before and to explore new areas. Some areas have too many mule deer hunters. If you did limit that I think it would be better to go by county instead of regional areas
276	Create a separate category and license structure for those of us that use traditional archery equipment - recurves and longbows.
277	Improve LLC hunting for all members of that LLC so they can apply for land ownership for hunting as well. Itâ€™s not right for one family member can apply for land ownership tag when the rest of the family cannot. My brothers and sisters own 440 acres of land and I have to apply for a regular hunting tag every year for rifle. I hunt archery as well
278	Maintain the status quo for residents. Nonresidents should have a draw system.
279	There has to be a limit on the number of archery hunters, resident and nonresident. Our public land is getting hammered by out of state archery hunters which ruins it for resident archery and also resident firearm.
280	Cut back on nonresident tags make it a lottery for the nonresident tags
281	Hopefully the commission will actually listen to the input of this survey and perhaps take the opinion of the COs into consideration. It would be a first but I still maintain hope.
282	I'm perfectly content with the current status of the archery season
283	Need to have a limit on nonresident tags. Need to have lottery draw for nonresident hunters
284	Raise NR archery deer price slightly. NR mule deer tags need to be limited. Resident and NR mule deer tags need to be limited in the Black Hills. ABSOLUTELY NO antlerless archery mule deer tags, whitetail only. NO rifle mule deer tags unless they are ranch specific deprivation tags. NO youth or Mentored antlerless mule deer tags until population numbers increase. It is much easier to bite the bullet for a few years and not shoot does then too slightly reduce numbers for multiple years.
285	While the number of tags has gone up, nothing was said about the success rate. Having formally worked for the department, in the past everything they based on for not changing it in the past was the low success rate. While I am also sure that is being taken into consideration, the deer numbers are way down where I hunt, on both species. I also know that you care about the almighty buck, so I for see nothing else happening and you keeping it all the same.
286	Raise the prices for nonresidentâ€™s
287	I think there should be more private land availability. I hunt private land in SD for deer. My dad owns a ranch that I have been hunting on and working at for years now. Itâ€™s really hard on my family when I have to get enough points to draw a rifle tag but we can get an archery tag every year. I think crossbows should be legal the same as any compound and or long bow/recurve. I donâ€™t understand why they are not legal. Let people use crossbows during archery without having a âœdoctors noteâ•. Give private land non resident rifle tags. I am fine being charged non resident prices to hunt my families land but it should be a guarantee I get a a rifle and archery tag every year. Also, you should allow more non resident doe tags on private land. Again, I hunt my families land. I should be able to get rifle and archery doe tags. I use to\Be able to but not any more. I hunt Jones county for the most part. It is one of the counties they donâ€™t give non resident archery doe tags for. For someone who hunts a family private ranch, itâ€™s somewhat a joke to be honest. Archery could have a little work and rifle needs a lot of work in this case. Thank you for the chance to voice my opinion.
288	Make nonresidents draw, Iâ€™m willing to pay more for a resident tag to make up the difference.

289	Quit hunting public land due to overcrowding. Have driven Little Bend (where I used to do spot and stalk) road a couple times several years ago in the middle of the week and found vehicles from Tennessee, Florida, Minnesota and others. Of course they love the opportunity, but it leaves less room and less unspooked deer for residents.
290	Decrease nonresident deer tags. Residents should not have to suffer because more nonresident hunt here. Keep public land public, no permits needed.
291	Your new draw for rifle hunting sucks which is probably the reason for more archery hunters.
292	Need to go to a 90-10 split for archery deer hunters and go to a unit based archery license with two options and that is all no extra licenses until the third round draw
293	Limit residents to one archery license; too many east river hunters hunting both east and west river; the out of state hunters are not the problem; they bring money in to the state and are probably hunting with a guide on private land; east river hunters hunting west river; I know this is not popular but that is the way I see it; make a choice; one deer!!
294	SD Nonresident license fees are less than our surrounding states. They should be equal.
295	leave as is
296	I have great memories of my life and hunting is one of them.
297	I do think nonresident tags should be limited in order to allow resident hunters more opportunities to hunt on public lands.
298	I think nonresidents archery tags should be capped and they should have to select a specific county unit or hills to hunt. I do not feel resident archers should be forced to select a specific unit other than east or west river.
299	How many deer are being taken during the archery deer season. Do you feel they are being over or under harvested.
300	I would be curious to know what the percentage of harvest is to the number of licenses sold
301	Overall, I think the archery system in South Dakota is working well, but there are a few improvements that could be made. For example, I, like many people, have more concerns about our mule deer herds than anything. I believe that we need to restrict more people, residents and non-residents, on harvesting mule deer in certain areas. Also, the state should consider limiting non-resident archers, as many of them come to South Dakota to specifically target Mike deer. The harvest rates for archery are so low, that the effect on whitetail herds should be minimal. However, the effect on our mule deer herds are more noticeable and concerning, and that is where most of the focus should be placed.
302	I would like to see more definition on where one can archery hunt within State Parks. I can see the boundaries of the parks on the online hunting area atlas, but could you specifically cross-hatch areas where I can't (or shouldn't) archery hunt? (Campground areas, day-use areas, etc.) It would help raise awareness of hunting opportunities in state parks.
303	no matter what changes might be made, it is important that resident archery hunters are allowed at least one deer license every year. it should be an any deer license unless the department wants to start issuing a buck only archery license.
304	Please stop tearing down trees and trying to create natural prairie that hasn't existed for 100 years, as in the Club House Lake bottom. One of the dumbest things I've seen in a long time.
305	Would like better and more knowledgeable regarding phone staff and their information and the way it all is handled
306	Fix the website \It's horrible \Have archery tags available for sale over the counter, you could let people buy one any deer deer and up to 10 antlerless.

307	I think you need to concentrate on what is best for the in state hunters first. I tried to get a Black Hills rifle deer permit and my wife and I both did not get our west river permits. If you do not have enough permits for those, why are you permitting out of state people for both rifle and archery. I know this is not in response to your question but why on the new site do people have to look forever to see the tiny little button that says (log in). Also my wife and I tried to put in for the contingency elk permit and we cant even find where the units are. Would you PLEASE put maps on this site so a person can see the units while putting in for the license. Thank you.
308	Starting in September just increases the pressure as the end vogue thing is to get a velvet buck. Far too many young deer, especially muleys, are harvested for this reason
309	input forms do not mean any thing. the gfp do like they want anyway it just makes people think it does.
310	Please leave this as it is.
311	There is simply too much technology in what was once considered a primitive season. I feel going back to the original equipment, when the seasons were implemented would decrease the number of archery hunters. Those persons would choose not to participate because of the effort involved. Not because they were not lucky enough in a draw system.\\Sights, triggers, and letoff bows do not belong in primitive seasons.
312	In my area anyway, I know a lot of people started archery hunting because it took almost 5 years preference to draw a east river any deer rifle tag. They wanted to be able to hunt every year. And rifle season is only two weeks, whereas archery you have a long season and can take your time.
313	This nice perfect
314	35L needs to be more restricted for residents and nonresident. Got to 50 NR and 150 R archery draw tags
315	limit non resident on public land, and/or a have nonresident private land option. Leave resident as unlimited tags, dont like penalizing residents.
316	SDGFP is doing a great job. I love South Dakota,
317	Hunting regulation manuals need to be allocated to retailers and the general public much earlier. Hunting season had already started the last 2 years before these handbooks have even been in the hunters hands!
318	keep up your good work!!!
319	Allow more in-state residents to obtain rifle deer tags and you wouldn't have an over abundance of archery hunters. People are converting to archery for a chance to put meat in their freezer since we rarely get rifle tags anymore. My husband and I used to alternate rifle deer tags every year, now it's every several years for one or the other of us. Residents pay taxes and yet you allow non-residents to have more access to tags, fairness??? I think not.
320	Restrict archery, example; too many archers hunt lincoln cty from other surroundings counties. Especially out of state, like Iowa.
321	As an East river landowner, it would be nice to be able to have archery any deer plus an archery antlerless option. I love shooting a buck, but also have way too many doe on the land.
322	We have more people moving to South Dakota, and we need to have more opportunities for them as a reward and less for nonresidents. Nonresidents really take a toll on the antelope and deer West River during bow season, and nonresident tags are comparatively cheap here compared to other states. Even a major increase in license cost could make a considerable impact on nonresident hunting pressure.
323	You should try to get the web site straightened out and more user friendly before you start changing it all over again
324	Don't change anything. It isn't broken!
325	I have seen out of state pheasant hunters (with guides) hunting on public lands on opening day and then reverting to leased lands the next day after crowding out the local hunters. I am concerned that this trend will expand into archery deer hunting on state hunting areas.
326	Would like to see the entire Black Hills until open to a additional antlerless Whitetail tag. Thanks for all you do. Also wish the public land archery tag deadline was later like August 1.

327	State residents should always have total access to our state wildlife that's why most of us love SD. The nonresident hunters need too be regulated or completely removed before SD residents can be told they can't obtain a archery license for the state we pay taxes in.
328	Even though there are more archery hunters than several years ago, I would expect the lower success rate would not have a large impact on the number of deer.
329	I feel that the archery season opens too early and should go back to October 1. The weather is too warm and many of the younger deer need their mothers to teach them about the weather and habitat changes coming in winter. I feel that is enough time for hunting in October, November, and December.
330	Please do not change the archery seasons. In my opinion the state already changed my opportunity to hunt deer with this new goofy system. It was supposed to help me draw rifle or muzzleloader easier, and now I never draw. Ease do not change anything with archery. You are killing our hunting opportunities for residents.
331	I am certain that non-residents generate more revenue for all sectors of the economy. Still, the pay-to-play game ranchers seem to be tipping access and advantage away from residents through leases and under table agreements. I have a hunch they are the ones urging a change in the current system. Changes that will not benefit me, or the following generations of my offspring.
332	I wonder if the increase in resident archery deer hunters is related to the changes made in the rifle deer application process. While the intent was to provide more opportunity to more hunters I believe the opposite has occurred and reduced for more traditional opportunities for many residents. In the past it was possible to apply for and is successful obtain both in East River and West River rifle tag. The changed application system makes this nearly prohibitive. I believe some residents have looked to archery hunting to be able to hunt both West River and East River. Please do not make a reactive change to the archery deer season limiting resident hunters opportunities unless there is a biological science-based reason for the change
333	I believe the increase in licenses has a correlation to the firearms deer tags. Because it takes longer to draw a firearms deer tag the only option is to bow hunt if you want to deer hunt or want the meat.
334	I would like to see them leave the resident archery tags the way they are. I have a 12 year old son who just started hunting with his bow. It is a great opportunity for him to get out there on 9/1 of each year and possibly get a velvet buck without having to deal with preference points. Out of state tags should get limited. I know the state LOVES all the money coming from out of state hunters but it would be nice to preserve archery deer tags for residents who live, work, and pay taxes in South Dakota. There is getting to be too many outfitters and hunting unfortunately is becoming a rich person's sport :(Thanks for doing the survey and asking our opinions!!
335	Your new system makes drawing a rifle tag harder making more hunters archery hunt
336	In the past few years, the GF&P Commission and the elected officials have not listened to the people that buy the tags and support the wildlife division of the GF&P. I understand that between 80 and 90% of the comments on big game tags were against changing to the system we have now, where you can only put in for two on the first draw. Why are we to believe that you will listen to us on this issue?? We residents were totally against opening up unlimited archery deer to non-residents, but it was done anyway to get that non-resident money for the department and some landowners. If you limit hunters on public land, that will only further drive the opportunity to commercialize the private land, like has happened to the WR tags for rifle.
337	Quit screwing around with what is already working. SD has already completely screwed up the rifle deer hunting in this state.
338	I don't hear any complaints from other archery hunters in the area I live. Access is good, deer numbers seem to be rebounding a bit. And I like the length of season allowing the possibility of a deer in velvet. No need to change things unless your data is showing you something I'm not seeing.
339	I like the idea of creating 5-10 regional units but think the number of tags allowed needs to be capped at say 2 no matter if there is left overs in other units

340	I would like to see non-resident Any-Deer archery tags limited to the same percentage of resident versus non-resident tags offered for the rifle seasons where non-residents are allowed to hunt. 10%\\You show total resident archery and total non-resident archery tags, which I can only assume includes either-sex and antlerless tags. What are the numbers for residents having at least one any-deer tag compared to the number of non-residents with any-deer tags. Might be a better representation of the percentages of archery hunters.
341	In state hunters should always be given preference over out of state hunters so if there are too few deer then out of state archery tags should also decrease tremendously, especially on public ground.
342	People are taking up archery because itâ€™s the easiest way to be able to hunt and try to harvest a deer. With the rifle lottery as it is it takes several years to get the chance to harvest a deer
343	Cut the archery season dates down. They can hunt from Sept 1 to Dec 31st. It's to long.
344	Archery deer hunting has certainly increased, but success is much lower than rifle and it gets people hunting more. If anything we need to restrict rifle hunting more. With today's technology, rifle hunting borders on non fair chase. Especially considering the "long range hunting" craze that isn't really hunting at all.
345	Charge more money to out of stateâ€™s hunters and reduce numbers.
346	if SD is going to make any license restrictions, it should start with fewer out of state hunters and they should be the ones paying more and having less opportunity for a tag. SD doesnt have to cave to the almighty dollar on everything hunting. Please take care of the resident bowhunters and keep them happy.
347	I am a nonresident hunter from Minnesota. Iâ€™ve been purchasing licenses for white tails since the mid 80s. And mostly hot for mature bucks and a lot of years I do not fill my tag. I hope I can continue to get a license without any hassle. Donâ€™t know how many more years I have left to hunt. I sure hope I can continue to get a license. Thank you
348	Non residents are severely impacting the quality of hunting and fishing in our state. Residents should not be impacted by more restrictions on when and where and what license they can get. Unlimited nr license needs to stop.
349	How about expanding the number of non resident gun licenses. I want to go deer hunting with my son and grandson over thanksgiving and the only way I'm guarenteed to go is have a archery tag. They hunt spink or brown county and no tags are left after four resident draws. That to me shows that you don't need or want non-residents money.
350	Would like to see some preference for landowners both resident and non resident-especially those who manage for wildlife. Their time and expense to maintain wildlife habitat should be recognized at least in some way.
351	The number of archery mule deer hunters is large and growing. There is basically no other state (maybe NE?) that essentially allows OTC mule deer archery and nonresidents are starting to utilize the opportunity more and more. Public lands are already crowded and the restriction of nonres to private until Oct 1 has pushed them on to private where they are willing to pay trespass fees. I have been turned away from multiple ranches west river because nonresidents are now paying to hunt there. Can't fault the landowner for taking the \$\$ but I am now losing access because of it.
352	Thank you for the opportunity to share my thoughts out here in the "western" portion of our state!\\JS
353	We own 336 acres of prime creek bottom and hay fields along French Creek and we have caught archery hunters taking deer without permission several times. One was a non resident filming a hunting show.
354	Please bring back the extra tag for antlerless deer. There are plenty of does to be harvested.
355	Our deer populations are way too low due to poor harvest management and too many harvested does. Disease has also taken its toll on deer populations but it does not seem that much was done to limit the harvests and build the herds up. We archery hunted the 2 and 3rd of September and counted 15 deer where 5-10 years ago there were 75-100. Drought has also played a roll, but we feel it is too many hunters.
356	Please do not increase non-resident hunting opportunities at the expense of South Dakota resident hunters.
357	Deer hunting is becoming harder due to farmers stripping all the habitat from the land.

358	It's hard to get a rifle any deer tag in the area I wish to hunt...usually takes about 3 to 5 year preference points. This is one of the reasons archery any deer tags have become so popular. I would really hate to see it become a draw situation! The archery deer tag management should be left as is!
359	We need to start managing deer not looking for more revenue. Archery hunters are more technical than ever, cameras, range finders, better bows, better arrows. More successful than ever before. Out of state hunters are going to get a deer let's work on thinning whitetail numbers where they are high and limit licenses where mule and whitetail are low. Let's stop focusing on \$\$ and bring overall statewide deer herds to a manageable number. The revenue will come when residents see a manageable herd. Trophy deer are usually taken on private land once deer feel the pressure on public land this has always been true. Let the hunters hunt with respect for the game sought.
360	Two years in a row I haven't gotten the access permit for 35L section. Last year I didn't draw and I found out two days ago that I somehow missed the drawing for this year. Usually I'm on top of when everything is going on. Hard to find where drawings are on the new system and easy to miss.
361	There is just getting to be too much pressure on our resources, especially for bucks. It may be time soon to limit archery tag numbers!
362	Have non residents places in limited draws and charge more for their tags. Keep resident opportunities as is.
363	Love archery hunting, I have passed it down to my grown children.\\Keep up the great work.
364	I'd like to see no waterfowl road hunting in the Sioux Falls area . Too many road hunters disturbing the deer during that goose season.\\Just during the deer season part of that particular time.\\I believe it runs into February.
365	My experience with non resident hunters is that they often hunt public and they come hunt for a solid block of time (like a week straight). At a minimum mile deer for NR should be severely limited - like 500 tags/stamps. Even whitetail tags should be limited for NR. Most other similar states already have limits on their archery NR hunting. Iowa takes 4-5 years to draw an archery tag in many units. Another issue is that SD gives out too many any deer tags - why not guarantee any deer archery tags for those that don't draw a rifle tag? If you draw a rifle tag - no any deer archery tag - people shouldn't be able to draw 4 or more any deer tags - that's one of the root causes.
366	Changing archery deer from otc to limited in some fashion is going to need to happen at some point, its good to start to think about a method to control the harvest sooner than later.
367	My biggest concern with many archery hunters is "lost" deer. I have many friends and others that I hear of that shoot deer but are unable to find. I know this is a hunter ethics issue, but like it or not, regardless of what people say, they continue to hunt until they harvest a deer.\\My second issue is UNLIMITED tags. Why not limit the archery tags to 1 or maybe even 1 buck and then 1 antlerless. Somehow these numbers taken by archery hunters has to be limited. Maybe anyone can get a tag but only 1 Buck tag. I trust GFP in managing the resource but it appears to be very loose right now.
368	The agency should have not input concerning use of private land.
369	The increase is due to the growth that archery has been experiencing the last 15-20 years. The Covid pandemic may have also contributed to the increase due to time off from jobs, food shortages, increased food costs, the desire for natural renewable food sources. Archery hunting is not at the point of over saturation on available public ground compared to rifle hunting. Most public ground hunters still have limited time to dedicate to archery hunting, especially when having to travel to a public spot. public grounds share other seasons that make bow hunting public less desirable for bow hunters. There maybe over saturated areas around the highly populated cities. Having lived and hunted in South Dakota my whole life, hunting both small game, waterfowl and pheasants, most of the seasons have their issues with over saturated hunters and hunting spots, public and private.\\Having a healthy population number of hunters is always a good game management tool. Not to may years ago, the state was concerned about the drop in new and older hunters. This current concern is an opportunity for the state to offer more public and private land available for the general hunting population.
370	With more and more outfitters leasing the hunting rights on private property it puts way too much pressure on public lands. I see this as more of a problem with hunting in West River areas.

371	Thanks for the survey
372	I believe crossbow hunting should be allow for any one over age 65 or as Wyoming is now .
373	If there is a need to restrict archery hunters let those be non resident hunters.
374	There too many deer dead along highways. The state needs to issue more licenses and allow crossbows
375	In my opinion, many archery deer are wounded and not retrieved. I believe that it would be better to limit the number of archery tags and increase the number of firearm tags. This would allow for more firearm harvest with less game loss and still control overpopulation for farmers and ranchers.
376	Do not allow nonresident hunters access on public lands to reduce the pressure. Public lands should only be available for residents.
377	The problem isnâ€™t the amount of hunters. The issue is the lack of opportunity on quality habitat. The state is way behind our western neighbors in regards to access programs on large pieces of private land. This would help spread people out, and also helps to curb the commercialization of big game hunting in general.
378	My opinion is if the Nonresidents want to hunt this state. The state commission needs to look at what other states are charging for Nonresidents to hunt in those states and raise the price of those Nonresident tags to match other states fees. I feel that Nonresidents are coming to SD because the tags are very cheap. Compared to other states. Also limit the number of Nonresident tags and have them pay for a preference point.
379	Raise the fees for non-residents just like most western states have done. And restrict the number of non-residents. Make the non-residents controlled hunts (by lottery drawing). Increase the price of non-resident preference points just like Wyoming and other western states. Non-residents will pay more for the opportunities available here in SD.
380	I feel the current process is the most valuable to archery hunters.
381	Restrict nonresident archery tags. \\Restrict mule deer archery tags, both resident and nonresident.
382	Additional data to determine areas of low recruitment and high hunting pressure may need to be collected. Obvious focus on public lands, specifically large tracts, for species specific harvest may help in determining limited permit areas just as prior locations have been outlined. Concerns on mule deer recruitment throughout the west should raise awareness in SD. Mule deer harvest in western SD by archery hunters vs whitetail would be expected to be high. Consider species specific permit areas to enhance populations and hunter opportunities.
383	I am very new to Archery hunting so my feedback is very limited in experience but I have lived here all of my life and have a lot of background in the outdoors. Thanks
384	Increase the cost of non-resident archery licenses. Limit the number of tree stands one can put in places like Newton hills. I did like the idea of more units, would like to hear more about it. Statewide, or East or West, not both!!
385	would having to choose East or West river only for a archery choice vs being able to purchase both help with the hunting pressure of to many hunters? Just a thought....
386	I know multiple people that get Archery tags and end up not filling it...
387	Over the last 25 years it has gotten tough to get into private areas to hunt. The private land is really hard to get on and has pushed me to hunt public land as well.
388	Leave the resident tags alone. If you want to do something limit/reduce the non resident tags. Why take away the opportunity away from a resident. WAY TO MANY NON RESIDENTS TAKING ADVANTAGE OF SOUTH DAKOTAS CHEAP TAGS AND OVER RUNNING THE PUBLIC LANDS.
389	I have been very frustrated with decent archery hunting opportunities on public land the last several years. The hunting pressure has gone up considerably in SE SD and honestly the last two years I have seen less bucks in person and on my cameras. (I am not looking for trophies just hoping for a 3x3 and above) I donâ€™t know what the answer is but I donâ€™t see archery hunter numbers going down.
390	Allow one license only.

391	I wish I could archery hunt, we are 6 days into the season and I still haven't received my tag that I purchased on August 11th.
392	Ending nonresident archery tags takes us back to a number similar to what it was in 2012. Simple fix. All they do online is bad mouth SDGFP over the recent changes from what I can see, very ungrateful. \\That wouldn't be a very nice thing to do though. Best idea would be to cap it at 3000 and hold a draw for them. Include mandatory harvest requirements for successful archers.\\Ending statewide tags and seeing where that gets us would probably be a good step. Honestly though, those nonresident numbers are almost all WR mule deer hunters from what I can see.\\Thanks for your time. I hear the winds of change, and it doesn't sound good.
393	I have almost become an archery only hunter and look forward to it so much every year. I see plenty but donâ€™t always harvest out of choice. It would be a shame if I couldnâ€™t get that tag. \\I was also in Custer filling up last fall in the morning before scouting for elk and couldnâ€™t believe the amount of Nebraska hunters there. I asked a few and they said they were archery hunting mule deer.
394	offer lifetime liscences and raise non resident drastically
395	One of the reasons why we have experienced a continuing increase in the number of archery deer hunters, especially non-residents is because they are NOT limited in SD like they are in most other good deer hunting States. We had the â€œluxuryâ€• of low numbers of applicants over many years and the impacts were not significant related to hunting pressure and/ or harvest! That time has past and now pressure for hunting spots is high and the success rate for bow hunters is also high due to improved equipment, cameras, etc. The long archery season and the fact that much bow hunting is done pre- rut and during the rut itself is also contributing to harvest success and higher impacts on populations and â€œtrophya€• opportunities. Certainly a time for a change at both the resident and non- resident permit availability. Thanks for the opportunity to comment.
396	I believe resident hunters have more rights to hunt in our state then nonresident. But the sdgfp likes the money generated by nonresident license.
397	No NON Resident Hunt in SD. Residents only\\Even with left over tags a resident should still be able to get one. For Rifle or Muzzleloader.
398	I feel nonresident archery tags need to be changed from an over-the-counter purchase to a limited draw. Right now South Dakota is touted on many online hunting forums as the perfect back up plan for when you strike out on drawing archery permits in other western states. I also do not feel that restricting non-residents in any way requires that we also put some sort of restriction on resident archery hunters.
399	Get rid of all the useless walk-in-ground you already have a pay for something worth hunting.
400	August 1 opening Dove ..the doves are gone
401	As a archery shop owner , I am starting to see a swing back twords 2015 ish thinking , also believ that non res should be limited to percent of residents tags , maybe like rifle percentages. I feel the non res can just fill I s.d tag if don't get drawn in another statel
402	Up the price for non resident!!!
403	The only area I have an opinion on is Newton Hills State Park. I spend the majority of my archery hunting there and over the last 10 years have seen quite an increase to the number of hunters in this area. In the north side of the park, I usually cannot go more than 100 yards without seeing another tree stand. Another issue is that there are a handful of hunters that will hang multiple stands all over in an effort to keep others from hunting there but they donâ€™t use most of them. It is discouraging because I do not want to hunt close to another stand in case someone actually shows up to use it. This compounds the problem because it concentrates most of the hunters into a small area.
404	The mother Earthâ€™s access permit for archery hunting in Custer national Forest needs to be easier to access if you want bowhunters to follow the rules three phone calls to peer produced nobody the new even what you access permit was and it needs to be available at the same time archery licenses are available. I think the state of South Dakota needs to take care of its residence first before non-residence the area that a hunt gets hit hard early season I quit going out there early season because it was all or mostly out-of-state license plates thicker than bugs on a bumper

405	There are way too many hunters in general and too few deer. Hunters are taking adolescent deer at alarming rates diminishing the chance for a trophy hunt. Also there are many public areas especially west river that are dangerous due to the amount of rifle deer hunters. All public deer hunting should be made archery only. East river residents are drastically hurting deer population and trophy size due to hunting both sides of the river and killing whatever they see first west river so they can "fill their tag" and trophy hunt east river. I hear and see no west river residents coming east to do the same. I am an east river resident.
406	SD has good archery deer hunting. The price of a non resident archery license should be equal to or higher than other neighboring or western states. \\Manage deer populations in small regions so GFP has a bit more control.\\Thank you for starting to protect the mule deer population in SD. It is important!
407	If you look at the big chunks of public land, they are getting over ran by NR archery and rifle deer hunters.
408	Reduce the number of non-resident limited access permits. A resident should not be denied a limited access permit if GFP is issuing limited access permits to non-residents in the same area.
409	If there is a nonresident quota split it and have half any whitetail and half any deer the mule deer population is hurting and needs help
410	I believe that muzzleloader buck tag should run concurrent with archery. It is a prized tag and we have to use primitive sights on the weapon. Before the deer get herded up in the winter time and access becomes more limited, allow the 1000 buck tag holders to begin when archery does. As far as archery goes, the reason there is such an increase is because tags are harder to draw with the new system.
411	I donâ€™t believe any of the archery seasons or tag availability should be changed at this time. Availability of archery tags is very important to many residents who do not chose to hunt with a rifle.
412	RAISE THE PRICE OF NON RESIDENT ARCHERY TAGS. THEY WILL PAY IT!!! CHARGE ALL NON RESIDENTS FILMING ARCHERY HUNTS (Any Species) ON PUBLIC LANDS A FILMING FEE! WE NEED TO GET CAUGHT UP TO ALL OF THE OTHER WESTERN BIG GAME STATES! Please call me to discuss any of these issues. You folks do a ## great job and my family couldnâ€™t be more thankful for all you do. But the Governor needs to understand that you canâ€™t manage big game hunting the same way you manage pheasant hunting. You folks are GF&Pâ€¦ not the department of tourism.
413	Lower the east river deer tags available all together with archery and rifle and muzzleloader the deer numbers have diminished badly and people just shoot anything that moves anymore so most deer don't have a chance to mature!!
414	Charge non resident more, less tags. allow more archery doe tags for east river only. Only for residents.
415	Being as I don't bow hunt public land very much I haven't noticed much change. However I have noticed more theft of equipment (i.e cameras) on private land by trespassers. Bow hunting should be available to everyone. Some years it's the only way I get a tag. Bow hunting is how I got started hunting and the ability to get a tag every year is nice. What about a land owner tag where if someone owns so much land they can only hunt what they own. That way they can't tie up all the land surrounding theirs which might give more hunters access to private land. This would then free up more space on public land for people to hunt.
416	Archery season is good the way it is no changes needed
417	I am a landowner and I say get the politics out of setting hunting seasons and let prudent
418	Mule deer numbers seem to be on a decline nationwide. Reducing the number of unlimited tags, specifically for mule deer, would help to ensure opportunities for future generations. Doing could also lead to a higher quality of mule deer in the state. Non-residents licenses should not be unlimited for either deer type. Residents live and spend money in the state all year long, they should get preference over any non-resident. Great hunting opportunities is about the only reason that my family and I choose to live here, if that changes, I believe my family and many others will decide to move to others states for better wages and opportunities.
419	There needs to be restricted mule deer season there are fewer mule deer each year it seems like

420	<p>Limiting archery licenses to a draw will not allow as many people to archery hunt as in past years. If people are feeling too much pressure on public land, i.e. from other archery hunters; either they need to hit the pavement and ask for permission on private land, or accept the fact that this is public land and is open to all people. Communication with other hunters on public land, or with private land owners could open many doors to hunt. \\If residents are feeling the need to have a more private hunt on public land; non-residents shouldn't be allowed to hunt in South Dakota. Removing non-residents from hunting would eliminate over 5,000 hunters from the field. \\Is there an issue with gun deer hunting? I don't know the statistics on gun hunters, but assume there are probably twice if not four times as many gun hunters. Do they have issues with public land hunting? Going to a draw for archery and trying to set that up regionally, or by county (as is done with gun deer hunting) would, in my opinion; limit the number of archery hunters in the state. \\Ground work, asking for permission on private land, GFP working to make more private land accessible by the public are all ways to eliminate this issue. Hunters have to put in the time and develop relationships with land owners if they want to hunt private land. \\I would like to see the current application process continue. If anything would change I'd say don't allow non-residents to archery hunt.</p>
421	<p>Suggest unlimited licenses, but require a draw to allow taking of a mule deer. Also suggest increasing non-resident license fees as SD is by far the lowest price.</p>
422	<p>Cap the number of archery tag ratio to normal number of archery kills that the gfp determines to keep a healthy population.\\Use for white tail and mule deer separately.\\Hunters will still hunt the same areas they normally hunt, so kills will be mostly in same areas.</p>
423	<p>1. Start season on last saturday of September\\2.. Limit the youth and mentored hunters season to end in the middle of Oct.\\3. Muzzle loader season should run concurrent with East/West/Black hills.\\4. NO season should extend beyond Dec. 31st</p>
424	<p>You should close archery deer in the hills during the archery elk seasons. It took me 10 years and over \$300 in fees to draw my archery elk tag. Everywhere I went archery deer hunters had spooked the elk out of the area!!! I was very disappointed with my hunt.</p>
425	<p>restrict number of non resident hunters.</p>
426	<p>I feel with the number of non residents is goin to increase and more problems are goin to happen on public lands, need to restrict or decrease the number of tags for non residents. Residents should have a bigger priority with tag.</p>
427	<p>Please don't limit non-resident archery licenses on private land</p>
428	<p>Maintain current non-resident early public land draw to limit numbers on public land WR. Too many going to Harding, Butte and Perkins county.</p>
429	<p>GFP should have capped the nonresidents 15 years ago! Since SD is the first state that offers unlimited mule deer hunting via archery equipment the nonresidents head to SD by the droves. Look at the data--the number of NR hunters has nearly doubled from 10 years ago! Instate a cap of no more than 2,000 NR archery hunters. NR Waterfowl has been capped for 30 years yet we allow every nonresident that has a bow come here and hunt with up to 3 total archery licenses...Give me a break!</p>
430	<p>I believe archery hunters should be able to decide if they want to hunt with a bow or a rifle/black powder. With the increase in the number of archery hunters, it seams to me that they have a very unfair advantage over the rifle/black powder hunter. They already have an early season starting date. This would help to manage the SD deer population to keep it at a more steady number.</p>
431	<p>Archery season opens three weeks to early</p>
432	<p>I do hear that there is some high pressure on mule deer in public areas.Probably is a good idea to limit some non-resident hunting in certain public areas. I do think the access permit idea is good.</p>
433	<p>I would be happy to pay a little more for a permit and have less nonresident hunters and fishermen.</p>
434	<p>I believe we should still do the sit down bow hunter education course for any new archery hunters. This will help ensure a successful hunt and not having wounded animals out there that the non hunters see as a bad thing.</p>

435	Thank you for all you do!
436	I would like to see the current archery systems stay in place. Tweaking things with access permits seems like a valid way to reduce pressure. Difficulty is when only one or two people in hunting groups get those access permits. Making people plan ahead for areas like chap grounds seems like a good option for limiting access. I see the main problem with pressure being for archery mule deer. I understand the state can make a whole lot more money with out-of-state licenses. But I have seen a large change in the amount of pressure in the western counties. All looking for big mule deer. I am very against going to an archery draw system of any kind. Even though the amount of archers is up. I don't believe the harvesting rates have moved that much. I think there should be some sort of game check-in when an animal is harvested to get more accurate numbers. I do feel that putting a limit on how many archery tags one can get could be a viable option as well.
437	I think the non resident archery hunters should have a cap. There should be no cap on resident license
438	The pressure on the mule deer during archery season in many counties/units is out of proportion compared to population, primarily on public lands. I'm not sure the issue is as pertinent and impactful on private land owners as they seem to be able to regulate their own hunting pressure based on the population that is present on their respective property. The issue appears to be directly related to public land pressure. I do believe we need to prioritize our residents and strive for a better access/opportunity/quality of experience on public lands over Non-Residents, just has many other states have done and are in the process of doing. I don't want to eliminate NR Archers, just control the numbers and that is the biggest percentage increase in turn giving resident archers potential better opportunities to experience less pressure and ultimately regain our control on public land mule deer populations which have taken a big decline, no question about it in any one's minds.
439	How are you keeping track of whitetail and mule deer archery hunters? My tags have always been any deer and area where I some time hunt has both.
440	The deer in South Dakota should be for residents, why are we worried about nonresidents. I for one know that GFP want all the money they can get and are willing to make residents take a back seat to non residents. Its not right. If there are not enough resident archery hunters then you should issue non resident licenses.
441	I'm not a mule deer hunter but with demand growing some lits are probably needed. Private land whitetail hunting is limited by what landowners will tolerate and allow. I don't see a need to limit those licenses at this time. Thank you.
442	I believe that archery hunters at the age of 62 should be able to use a crossbow equipped with a low power scope.
443	I hunted Sully county last year for archery and ran into quite a few non-resident archery hunters, some using crossbows. I have applied for that unit since 2017 for rifle and still have not drawn a tag. I think areas like this and the hills really need to be restricted especially for mule deer.
444	Keep Archery season as is
445	Resident Hunter should come first and not non-residence
446	I don't agree with unlimited tags for nonresident. Also, why not increase the cost for nonresident tags. Seems like most other states jack up the prices and doesn't seem to be an issue. More and more nonresident hunters will continue to apply at current format.
447	I have been happy with the current archery season.
448	I would be a big supporter of doubling the cost of nonresident licenses for Big Game licenses of all types. My nonresident rifle deer tag in Montana costs \$650 for example. South Dakota is WAY behind our neighbors in the nonresident licenses cost category. Also I would be in favor of limiting nonresident archery hunting access to start October 1 vs September 1. That would give residents a month of hunting without worrying about nonresidents.
449	As a land owner, I love to hunt and so do family and friends. Too many bow hunters and rifle hunters. Witnessed more and more wounded deer - shots taken by unethical hunters. If you limit hunters, those that didn't get a tag will school those that did.
450	Increase the fee for Non resident license

451	The quality of mule deer buck west river just doesn't seem to be there. Too many nonresident hunters hunting public land.
452	Per the numbers provided, resident archery deer hunters have increased about 22% and non-resident hunters have nearly doubled. I would expect the non-resident trend to increase as archery hunting continues to gain popularity and South Dakota allows unlimited tags to non-residents while neighboring states like Wyoming are cutting back on non-resident tags.\Non-resident hunters are more apt to rely on public land for their hunting opportunities and therefore put an increased pressure on those lands versus resident hunters. Since there is an indirect ratio of public land pressure with non-resident hunters versus resident hunters, reducing the number of non-resident hunters has a greater impact of reducing public land pressure versus reducing resident tags.\\I would suspect that you would also find that non-resident hunters are hunting mule deer more so than whitetails to some extent as you typically stalk mule deer rather than stand hunt them. Stand hunting whitetails versus stalking mule deer typically requires more scouting and planning. And archery mule deer stalks are currently trending with archery hunters. So, it would not be surprising if you are finding increased pressure on West River public land.\\One idea might be to restrict non-resident archery deer season to the time-period after rifle season is over through the end of the year or only allow certain amount of non-resident tags prior to rifle season. This would reduce public land pressure, allow residents to hunt in the more prime time of the season, and still allow non-resident hunters an opportunity to come hunt in S.D.\\Another idea would be to restrict non-resident tags to 10% of the previous year's resident tags sold. I think that is in line with where other states are headed for non-resident vs. resident tag percentage. My guess is that would significantly reduce the archery hunting pressure on public land.\\I hope you will keep the resident option of having an East River Archery and West River Archery tag or one statewide tag. I hunt with my family or by myself, and I will purchase one of each as I enjoy the time out in the field and the various habitat across our state. But my family often does not have the time to go as often, so they will lean towards a statewide tag so they can occasionally hunt locally and then go West with me if the opportunity arises.\\Thank you for requesting input on this.
453	You should only be able to get one archery deer license and out of state hunters should be restricted to private land and not be able to hunt Mule deer. Seems in all the areas I have hunted the Mule deer population is declining
454	MOVE ALL GUN SEASONS BESIDES YOUTH TO DECEMBER AND OR SWITCH EAST RIVER UNITS TO MUZZLELOADER OR SHOTGUN ONLY
455	I would like to see the archery permitting process remain the same.
456	Don't mess up the current resident archery hunting in the state if anything limit non residents or increase the license fee for them and improve our public opportunities. Think of our kids in this state. Don't limit them. If you put in the work you will be successful. Don't let lazy hunters change our great opportunities for archery we already have.
457	Being denied a bow tag after you fail to draw a rifle tage is stupid!
458	Over all I say leave the archery season alone.
459	I really appreciate that I can count on an archery deer tag. This allows me to hunt at home (Brookings county) or west river. This is a great way to supplement other tags that I or others that I typically hunt with may or may not draw in a given year. I also appreciate the preference towards in state hunters.
460	I like the current system in SD. I like that my brother or out of state family members can come home and archery hunt with me every year
461	I have not hunted Deer in the last few years because the pressure is to great, and the land owners are getting tired of all the people stopping them and asking to hunt.
462	I would like to see a point restriction on antlered deer to increase the quality of antlered deer in south dakota.
463	The biggest threat to the South Dakota Game Production Areas near Spearfish is the amount of illegal mountain biking trails going across them and the number of dog walkers. This needs to stop our they will just become another dog park and mountain biking trail system.
464	Need pheasant hunting to start later for public land to be more useful

465	It's ridiculous that SD is one of the last states to allow unlimited archery licenses. It's also unfortunate that GFP has become so landowner-centric and concerned more with selling mass quantities of licenses than managing fish and wildlife. It has become a branch of the Tourism department only concerned about semantics of press releases as opposed to actual wildlife issues.
466	You are too cheap on any non resident license fishing or hunting tag etc! Need to increase non resident rates. Why make itâ€™s so cheap for all these non resident hunters and fishermen?
467	Statewide 1 tag only
468	Out of state archery licenses need to be cut way back. Itâ€™s too easy and too cheap for non residents to come to SD and shoot a deer. The deer quality has dropped significantly over the years as many people are shooting immature deer as they have no regard for deer quality in SD as they are only here to hunt for 1 week. Triple the price of non resident deer tags and reduce the number. It will benefit the GFP, the resident hunters, and also the deer herds
469	There needs to be a restriction on how many non resident archery hunters can draw a tag. South Dakota is a destination mule deer state, there is no reason we should be ruining the quality/quantity of deer by allowing unlimited non resident archery tags. Also there needs to be a price increase for non resident tags. We need to have comparable prices to western states such as Wyoming, Colorado, and Montana.
470	Manage limited archery tags by firearm deer units.
471	I have no information on any problems with the number of hunters in the various categories such as resident or non-resident and east river west river issues. That said my hunt activity is limited to a west river environment and on private land so my experience is very positive with the current program.
472	Need to start limiting the number of nonresident archery hunters.
473	Archery hunting is doing OK. Probably don't need to many changes.
474	Please do not try to fix what is not broken.
475	Put a cap on NR Archery licenses, especially Mule Deer. Raise the price of NR tags to more in line with other states.
476	Too many non-resident tags in all deer hunting. It is creating a problem of being able to find good private land to hunt without paying a fortune. But as with all tags, I'm sure the GF&P will continue to expand non-resident tags to increase revenue.
477	There are too many non resident tags. The price of non resident tags need to be doubled, quit passing the price onto residents and double the tag price for non residents!
478	I haven't seen to many problems with the archery season other than trespassers.
479	You can not talk archery without including rifle, youth, apprentice, muzzleloader and mentor seasons. It's not "just" archery. Over the years hunters have not been able to get the rifle tags they want so they start hunting archery. Now archery opener is just like rifle season on public land. SD hunters do not need the opportunity to kill 8 bucks a year. (WR/ER Rifle, WR/ER archery, muzzle loader, refuge, BH, and CSP) I believe if you were to limit SD residents to two buck tags a year it would solve most of your problem. They can choose to use it in archery, muzzleloader or rifle that is up to them. For non-residents, double the price of the tag and limit the licenses they can get for public to 100 licenses. They can have unlimited private.
480	This is a mule deer specific problem on the large public tracts in western South Dakota. Expand the coverage areas and drastically reduce the number of access permits issued, implement a mule deer stamp or authorization similar to Kansas, and place a cap and draw on NR archery tags.
481	Have questions about September 1st start date regarding does with fawns. Seems early to leave those fawns some of them spotted on their own?

482	Living near Brookings, we know a lot of SDSU students some resident, some non-resident get archery tags and can hunt more days with the Sept 1. start date. An ethics concern I am beginning to have is that both the bow and crossbow hunter must use more hunting skill to harvest a trophy deer, shooting has increased yardages and podcast pros talk 100 yard shots, but still at 100yards you need the wind right or must sneak quietly to harvest a trophy deer. Fireman hunting with the modern calibers, scopes and long range shooting is leading to less hunting skills (high marksmanship skills) and simply easy harvesting of trophy deer. We see evolution of archery distance and firearm distance and GFP allows, but still restricts muzzle loaders to 0 power scopes or minimal distances and then the muzzle loader season is post rifle season. Seems a consideration would be to allow high power scopes on muzzle loaders and perhaps move their season up soon, or start a trophy/primitive unit or two?####.
483	I REALLY ENJOY JUST BEING IN THE OUTDOORS DURING ARCHERY SEASON I BELIEVE THE GFPS IS DOING A GREAT JOB PROVIDING US WITH PLACES TO HUNT AND KEEPING ARE GAME ANIMALS OF CHOICE ON THE RISE.
484	It's time to eliminate unlimited archery deer tags and landowner preference for tags to hunt anywhere in the unit. Allow unlimited landowner on own land permits and cap all nonresident big game, including BH turkey to 8% of residents based on the past 3-year running average. Cap nonresident waterfowl at the same 8% 3-year resident number average. 8% for nonresidents is fair, will keep commercialization at reasonable levels and minimize conflicts with resident hunter opportunities. Good luck w/ this!
485	Move west and east river season back one week to allow archery hunters to hunt rut before rifle hunters
486	I feel archery deer hunters should only be able to get a license for one antlered deer a year.
487	In my opinion, it is too easy and cheap for non-residents to get archery tags in SD.
488	I have been bowhunting over 40 years watched our number increase . Ive had to the last 2years keep crossbows out of our season hope that never happens . As a longbow hunter those mule deer are so vurable to the wheeled bows and then nonresidents filling there tag just to harvest a mulie. I hunt mostly private land for whitetails seems by late Oct and Nov I do not see alot archers where I hunt anyway in the Hand and Beetle Co areas.Mostly pheasant hunters .MD
489	I enjoy archery hunting because i can get a tag every year. Please keep this available to the residents of the state.
490	Limited draw for nonresidents and increase fees for nonresidents like surrounding states. Make fewer access permits in those areas currently issued. Do let SD Tourism make your decisions on deer or all wildlife decisions.
491	The mule deer population and quality of mule deer is going down hill. Non residents need to be limited. Seems they NEED to kill something since they are only here for a short time and most are interested in mule deer. I think there should be unlimited resident archery tags but change it to 1 any deer statewide, that will make people be more selective on what they are harveating
492	THE LAST THING I WANT TO SEE AS AN AVID ARCHERY HUNTER IS FOR THE STATE TO START LIMITING ARCHERY PERMITS FOR RESIDENT OR NON RESIDENTS ON PUBLIC OR PRIVATE. IF THERE ARE CERTAIN AREAS THAT NEED TO BE MANAGED THEN RESTRICT ACCESS TO THOSE AREAS OR CLOSE THEM AS NEEDED. THANKS FOR ALLOWING ME TO GIVE SOME IMPUT.
493	If I had to hunt public land during the archery season, I wouldn't waste my money on buying a license. I am sure this statement would be echoed by many resident hunters hunting private land. Limiting the NR licenses to 10% of license sales would make all public land hunters happier, as well as limiting further the access to those public areas.
494	I believe this problem could be solved by simply capping the number of non resident archery licenses. Or creating a special non resident archery buck license
495	Close archery to nonresidents. Do limited draw for resident. Archery equipment is far superior to past technology.
496	Let the season run thru the 1st weekend of the new year. this would allow hunters to hunt pheasants and archery deer hunt

497	Unlimited licenses makes everything crowded and very few get a good hunt.
498	I highly recommend the elimination of the unlimited East River and West River tags, and go back to only being able to purchase one Statewide tag. \\One other option that might help (at least in the middle section of the state) is to offer "Any Whitetail" tags and "Any Mule Deer" tags separately instead of "Any Deer" tags.
499	1: Archery licenses good during rifle season also. 2: 1 Archery season before rifle season and 1 archery season after rifle season. 3: Permit archery hunting on marginally maintained section line 'roads'.
500	It would satisfy our resident hunters if their number were increased and the number of non-resident hunters were to be decreased.
501	Changing the Archery Deer system is not warranted at this time. Seeing what the GFP department has done to the rifle tag system is bad enough. It is the main reason i got into Archery hunting. GFP needs to focus less on false counts of deer population and more on securing additional access to land. some of the walk-in land in western SD is the worst i have seen in 20 years. if the land owner does not want to maintain habitat then they need to be dropped from the program.
502	unrelated but require outfitter licenses. outfitters are not suppose to guide on public lands. LOL. Having a nonresident app date of April 1st is good but having an app after that for private land is a joke. How would you manage that? Last year on the Oct 1 day, west river public land that I have hunted for 20 yrs, you couldn't find a place to park. I have hunted west river for 28 yrs and yet to be checked by GFP while deer hunting. Nonresidents ditto. TV SD hunts show all the time that there is unlimited lic.in SD. No wonder they are here. Since COVID all west states have been overrun with apps. Time to limit nonresident License.
503	it is not broken.... LEAVE IT ALONE....
504	The price of the nonresident archery over the counter permits need to be increased. We are way behind on other states prices. I really like the idea of limiting the non-residents of the start date of October 1 for public lands. I believe specifically the western part of the state is getting too commercialized with hunting outfitters leasing land for out of state hunters. So hard to find private places to hunt, knocking on doors does not work anymore for getting permission. It's beginning to be a pay to play game in West River
505	Limit non resident hunters to 8% of the average number of licensed resident archery hunters by east and west river licenses issued over the previous 10 years. Multiple method deer hunters should be allowed only one archery license! No archery antlerless. Manage population densities with firearms. Season length is ridiculous compared to all other seasons and methods. Open October 1 and close December 1. We can already hunt with archery tackle during firearms seasons. Crippling loss in Sept is out of control.
506	Would like to see anterless tags available for black hills
507	Get rid of trail cameras on public lands.
508	I would like to see something that states a person 65 or older to be able to use a crossbow for archery hunting. I have several friends that have quit hunting because they can no longer pull a bow, recurve or otherwise.
509	Please limit the amount of NR bow hunters and resident mule deer bow hunters.
510	SD, like MN has a real long archery season! maybe it should consider a shorter archery season to allow deer to maintain a normal feed & rest cycle.....more like CO, which allows a 1 month season, all of September and then maybe reopen after rifle seasons for anterless deer.....
511	Change the entire system to a single buck tag per hunter regardless of weapon like Kansas does. This would be state wide.
512	If the amount of hunters continues to increase you may have to go to a draw. Or take one or the other, East River or West River.
513	As a non-resident archery hunter. I have hunted South Dakota for nearly twenty years on the eastern side of the state. I rarely encounter other archery hunters regardless of residence
514	The cost of non resident land owner tags are very over priced . To hunt only your own land the cost is way to high .

515	Simplifying the draw process would be helpful. SD has the most confusing draw process of any state that I have seen.
516	Keep access and opportunity for hunters both resident and non resident hunters,
517	Not sure why there are concerns about the number non-resident archery tags on public land..? Do some residents think the land purchased by the state was for residents only? Where does most of the revenue come from? I would estimate non-residents pay probably equal to residents when it come to revenue to the state but could be wrong.
518	I have always only hunted on my own land in East River.
519	Please don't screw up what you have going on in your state. The pheasant population has already reduced the amount of out of state dollars that come into SD businesses. Do not let a few residents bowhunters complaining ruin your state. Your local businesses are already hurting form tourism dollars don't let that continue. If we hunt Private land why in the world should they care??? Call anytime #####
520	many archery hunters do not harvest deer so don't change
521	I mostly hunt Rifle season on public land
522	Things should be left alone. Every time the state tries to "fix" things, it gets screwed up worse.
523	As the hunter aging increases and for a much better kill rate allow crossbow for all like 32 other states and increasing.
524	The nonresident license good for only private lands, simply because it was purchased after a certain date, makes no sense and is unfair at best. Why GF&P would make such a change seems strange. I'd sure like to know why such a rule was implemented and what organization was behind it.
525	Add point restrictions to buck deer killed prior to the rifle season opening nothing more than 4 points
526	Make it a private land only tag for otc. Make it a draw area for archery for everyone. Too many deer are being killed by archery equipment along with dwindling habitat on the landscape. No landowner preference either
527	This obvious push by residents to box out nonresidents is BS!\NR make up a minor %, yet do the heavy lifting in terms of license fees..
528	Remove the deadline to purchase archery tags for public land
529	Make getting a nonresident antlerless archery license available at license selling businesses so you don't have to wait to receive your tag in the mail.
530	Eliminate nonresident hunters. We live here to hunt. Most I've encountered are inconsiderate slob. They hunt intensively and push game off public lands. If you don't eliminate them then increase tag fees and have a quota of 100.
531	Move the opening date to October 1.
532	License,both residents and non residents are way to cheap,I think there is a lot of tags (archery) go unused.They wouldn't purchase to waste.the license increase would of set the # of tags sold with less sales.Economy being the big factor.
533	Who is complaining about the current structure and why? Just because numbers are increasing isn't a valid reason to punish the current archery hunters with limits on tags. What is the current archery hunting success rate? Does it really affect harvest or scientific management targets? I assume the Commission is coming after Black Hills archery hunters, since they are always concerning with limiting mule deer harvest. I would suggest a Special Buck archery tag for the Hills mule deer if you think too many are getting shot, but I would also like to know if there is really a problem or if it is a few Commission members getting possessive again like with the last license change debacle. I would also like to know how many of the increased archery applicants possess a crossbow permit. I don't know that many archery hunters at all in Lake or Miner counties but I certainly hear about able bodied hunters getting crossbow permits, which is the only reason they are now "archery hunters" You should get to the bottom of these questions before you mess with the current structure.\\Thanks.\\#####

534	As a life long South Dakotan that has had at least 1 archery tag for the last 37 years, I prefer the ability to obtain an any deer west river, any deer east river and a statewide antler less tag which give me 3 automatic tags. Since we can only obtain 2 firearm tags per year (if your lucky enough to draw, or have preference), it is fair to have the 3 archery tags automatically. i hunt private land in 4 or 5 counties, so I'm not sure on the public land questions.
535	I believe the increase in resident archery Lic. Is because of the previous changes in the apps for firearms lic. limiting which seasons can be applied for. Thus limiting access for resident hunting. The alternative is archery hunting. The other contributing factor is the draw system where it can take up to five + yrs to draw a buck tag. Custer elk hunting is sad. look at how many people have 25+ tags and still haven't drawn. I know that there are fewer tags now than 25 yrs ago. Its time to start drawing from the people with the most points assuming they still can hunt or have not died.
536	Those of us that live in SD should always come first. Especially those of us that provide habitat & food sources for the deer year round at our own expense! Landowners that live in SD should be given east & west river any deer tags! There are way too many nonresident deer hunters! And the majority of them are very rude, disrespectful of other hunters, the wildlife & our land. Residents should always have the option to purchase a statewide archery or both west & east river tags. A fewer number of Nonresidents should only have the option to purchase one archery tag & designate where they will be hunting when they apply & must only hunt that designated location. Enough of this dealing with nonresidents driving around everywhere & interrupting resident hunters, trying to get the deer running!
537	Getting bow permission use to be pretty easy but now there's way more people doing it. I think a lot has to do with rifle tags being harder to get and you don't have to take the archery class anymore.
538	Limit archery access in Newton hills state park, change Union grove state park to archery only, raise fees on nonresident archery hunters and limit the tags for nonresident. I go to southern black hills for an archery mule deer hunt, it's full of out of staters and military(which is fine, they deserve it). Run into Wisconsin hunters during rifle season in mobridge area and around Newton hills for archery. I pay over a \$1000 to archery hunt NW Iowa. Same landscape as SD nothing special. Sd has mule deer and cheap archery tags for nonresident. That's why they all come here.
539	Wyoming, Montana, Colorado and other western states are screwing out of state hunters. Why don't we do the same? \I used to enjoy bow hunting the slim butte area, but the last time I was there it was overrun by non resident hunters. One of the NR hunters told us it's so cheap compared to other western states, and they fact that he can buy over the counter made it easy for them. \Start charging these people!!
540	give less archery tags and add more \rifle tags. means I haven't drawn a riffle tag for 8 years!!!!!! yes 8 years something wrong with this system. Aso your web site suck before now it ready sucks!!!\####
541	There needs to be a limited amount of archery public land tags and up the price to match the state around for NR. SD is the first western state that it seems all the eastern archery hunters hit for public land mule deer hunts. The area of the badlands and many other public land areas west river are getting overrun and the dept needs to think block management in those areas to maintain the mule deer herd. The mule deer herd out west, especially public grasslands has decreased and quality of bucks are diminishing. Also the archery hunters are overrunning these areas before a firearm hunter can get to area making it even more difficult for FA hunters to have quality and successful hunts
542	keep the out of state hunters out of here.
543	Regulate nonresident license and raise the price compared to other states.
544	Reduce the number of nonresident archery tags and make that number of tags available for rifle hunters who dont draw. Drawing a rifle tag has gotten difficult in some areas.

545	Need to limit the nonresident licenses or make them whitetail only with limited draw for mule deer. As a west river deer hunter, the quality of mule deer bucks on public land has decreased and in talking with local conservation officers the same answer keeps coming up... too many archery hunters hunting mule deer. We are one of the only states with unlimited nonresident licenses and many shows are now appearing on social media and Youtube and this is leading to increased exposure for the state. I would support limited mule deer licenses for residents if it would help get our herd back to what it was.
546	Tried to hunt sand lake refuge a few times over the last five years, and was overrun with out of state archery hunters on refuge and surrounding ground.\Make out of staters lottery draw their tags like most every other state out there. SD is protecting their MIGRATORY waterfowl hunting more than their resident deer herds. \I have also come across people who purchase an east and west river tag, only to fill both in one area. Limit it to a single tag, to help limit the amount illegal deer harvests. \Lastly, if you want to help improve deer numbers, you need habitat and less rifle tags. Opening weekend of rifle kills/wounds more deer than the two months of archery hunting leading up to it.
547	Put some actual hunters on the game commission rather than just landowners with agendas and self interest motives. Stop selling tags to the highest bidder. Fix the broken preference system, award tags to residents first then to non residents. Remember that our game is the people's. The current status quo is going the way of kings/monarchs where only the the wealthy landlords will be allowed to hunt. Stop being a bureaucracy of sell-outs.
548	please leave archery season alone as is. why must all our seasons gun and bow be messed with?we had a very easy to use license purchasing system for all and then you took it away and left us all with a very confusing situation. why? if it worked so well for the states hunters why change it and make it so diffacult for us.your trying to change things all the time anymore.do hunters a favor and change the brilliant commissoner that came up with the wonderful new system.
549	Non-resident archery deer liscences need to be limited. Especially west river, to many non-residents hunti g mule deer.
550	we need a crossbow season
551	We have one of if not the cheapest archery mule deer hunt available. Itâ€™s not fair to use residents that our wildlife is being under valued compared to neighboring states when we have abundant public land, quality animals but not near the abundance of animals. Limiting NR archery tags and increasing the cost per tag would be a step in the right direction. We have to make SD special
552	Currently Lake County has too many whitetail deer. They are eating the corn and reducing the yields for farmers. Farmers should be compensated for damaged corn and still be able to harvest their fields.
553	I've had an idea for nonresident licenses...they draw license for September 1 thru October 31 or November 1 thru January 1. They would be able to hunt one or other.
554	Non-resident licenses issued should be 1/4 of licenses issued to residents. 1 non-resident for every 25 resident licenses issued.
555	The only additional feedback i would give is to keep the option to purchase both east and west archery tags for resident hunters. As someone who does purchase both and has never filled both in the same year, it is a nice way to add tourism dollars to our state as residents travel for weekend hunts. As numbers probably indicate, harvest rates for archery is substantially lower than firearm seasons. In that case the benefit of giving people more opportunity to try new ways of hunting, the tax dollars collected on those long weekend hunting excursions to the other side of the state and making hunting accessible to more out weighs the reasons for limiting (in my opinion). I do want to add that if there becomes an issue with deer populations then this could be looked at closer. Thank you for your time.
556	Too many hunters all trying to hunt the same areas. Pheasant Hunting lodges took the fun out of pheasant hunting. Every private land owner wants cash in order to hunt their property. This is the same direction deer hunting is going. Itâ€™ll drive the average guy to quit. Thereâ€™s too many people on public land, but thatâ€™s the only place we have to go. It becomes frustrating at times but in the end I still enjoy the outdoors.

557	Buy more land so archery hunters can be able hunt with out having to pay to hunt and more land owners to let archery hunters access to their land when a person goes and ask permission and not charging them to hunt
558	the state of south dakota should deffinatley reinstate a required archery recertification class to assure that ,archery hunters are safe, reponcible and ethical in their archery hunting. It is wrong to hand out more tags to archery hunters especially out of state hunters ,when they have removed free antlerless tags from landowners, just looks like the department is focusing on making more tag income and not taking care of the people who actually feed the animals all year. Also it needs to do what is needed to get more CO's employed in the state , and take some pressure off the poor CO's having to work overtime to cover the empty areas. If this doesn't change there will be no deer left to sell tags for , at the rate of poaching/illegal activity that is going on.
559	Increase the number of rifle tags, this will reduce or slow the number of bow hunters.
560	Iam disabled and years ago they closed a half mile of road on resies bottom,now they close it another half a mile farther away because a few people i was told didnt like the vehicles, and i was told he could have a handicap road made in a week , two years later ,there still aint a handicap road ,i guess there more worried about a few friends then they are someone like me that had both legs and hips broke ,but that dont surprise me any around here where i live,lyman county east of highway 47, the guys name was ##### at the Chamberlain game and fish.
561	I feel it's to hard for out of staters to draw a rifle tag don't mess up the archery hunting for them.and also alot of the local hunters are a bunch of spoiled entitled little cry babies that need to step up there game and if they're not successful in archery hunting. I feel bad for the out of staters that are originally from South Dakota that want to come back and hunt with family and friends but can't because SD is frankly bs when it comes to big game tags unless they spend hundreds of dollars on preference points and wait 20 years to draw a tag they most likely will shoot on private land anyway
562	I would like it to stay like it is now.
563	I do not archery hunt, so it dose not protain to me. Sorry can't help know nothing about it.
564	The archery season opens too early so they have more than two months before rifle season. Of course they are all after the big bucks and by the time rifle season starts many of them are gone. With today's equipment their success rate is very high.
565	I think the archery season is the best hunting opportunity available to our residents. One can spend the time to actually hunt for long periods with no pressure to harvest an animal, just love being out there all fall and enjoying nature
566	You need to better manage Mule deer numbers all together for South Dakota as a whole, the numbers have sharply declined because whitetail have pressured them out. There shouldnâ€™t be Mule deer doe tags for rifle and archery Mule deer donâ€™t come back as quick as whitetail.
567	Put the archery start date back to where it was (towards end of September).
568	Figure out a way to make private land more accessible to archery hunters so the donâ€™t all have to pile up on tiny sections of public land
569	We need a limited draw for non resident archery deer and we need to raise our fees for non residents.
570	The state should raise the prices on tags for the non residents.
571	I like the flexibility as a resident to archery hunt basically anywhere in the SD. However, there maybe should be a tracking procedure to figure out where the concentrations of archery hunters are increasing. With archery technology and unlimited tags, the negative impact on the deer herd is inevitable in my opinion (itâ€™s getting easy to kill a deer with a bow). \\I personally know ranchers west river who rarely seen anyone until the rifle season. The last several years through, they say the traffic (mostly out of state) is constant. There is a lot of public land out there but in my experience, the pressure is focused to the areas with deer. Obviously you hunt where the deer are but starting in September the deer are facing unlimited pressure. \\ I think the GFP really needs to focus on identifying the archery pressure and limiting such pressure in certain areas.\\Iâ€™m all about opportunities to hunt. But I do feel like the out of state archery tags should not be unlimited.
572	I find the computer-based application process difficult to maneuver.

573	I hunt archery only on my ground so most of the rest of it don't affect me.
574	Quit trying to mess things up.....Like your pos website.....
575	SD residents should be the only ones to have archery deer tags. Non-residents are cutting into our archery deer opportunities. Make them pay more for pheasants, fishing, turkeys, and everything else to make up for the difference in revenue from them not getting an archery deer tag.\\Get rid of the Statewide option. That is mainly an option for east river folks to come west because of the public land options. Can't say that is as easy to do for west river folks going east.
576	With the increase in crossbow availability there probably is more archery tags. The increased timeframes 9/1 to 12/31 lends to more success opportunities. This may lead to more non resident applications also could impact public land hunters. Just need to balance the tags allowed and deer populations.
577	Raise the cost of non resident licenses across the board.
578	I HAD ARCHERY HUNTED FOR DECADES AND WAS HAPPY TO KNOW I WOULD GET A LISCENSE EVERY YEAR. STARTED WITH LONGBOW, I AM NOW 85 .AND PHYSICALLY LIMITED NOW . DO NOT MAKE IT MORE DIFFICULT FOR LOCALS TO BOW HUNT BUT RESTRICT OUT OF STATE HUNTERS. I UNDERSTAND EVERY THING IS ABOUT MONEY I AM SORRY TO SAY. ###
579	I like the idea of being able to draw multiple statewide tags. I hunt both east and west river but live east river. If I was unsuccessful west river it would still allow to stick a doe late season back home and fill the tag.
580	I feel we need to limit the mule deer hunting to lessen pressure on the mule deer herd.
581	residents are not the problem in the areas i hunt we seem to be able to hunt the same areas without disturbing other residents hunts but after oct 1st the NR come in and they dont care if other people are hunting they will set a stand in the very next tree. i feel we need to do a lottery for NR like we do for our rifle seasons set amount per county thats it for NR.
582	To many tree stands left on public land after season or without name.
583	Youth hunting should be shortened... and do not allow youth hunter to apply for rifle season. Over the past years archery hunting has become more of a challenge due to to many youth hunters and adults using their trucks in the field...at least shorten youth season
584	I really donâ€™t think that changing the amount of archery licenses is going to change the quality of the deer. Also if reducing quantity licenses it will reduce revenue, I buy both east and west river tags and very rarely if ever do I fill both. I know other hunters who do the same. If we are worried about the quality of the herd, why not put more restrictions on the rifle hunters, only being able to shoot something with 8 or more points or clearly older than a 2 year old deer. Or better yet , reduce the duration of the youth hunters to 2 weeks by itself instead of the 4 months almost that parallels archery season. I think the archery season is perfect as is.\\Thank yiu
585	I think you are hearing from a vocal few complaining about the current system. Leave it as is for archery hunters!
586	Limit the number archery tags Especially out of staters
587	You guys and gals all do a great job. Thanks for everything you do.
588	The reason for more archery hunters is due to limited rifle tags. This state has to many non resident deer hunts. And the tags for them are too cheap. Wish they would raise the price of non resident tags. Look at the reservation prices. Nonresident have no problem paying \$500 plus for them tags
589	On the Chip Allen wia ne of mitchell, there are very few trees and almost no food plots. This is a pretty good sized area that is being mismanaged, and could be so much better. But it's not along the Missouri River so it will never change
590	We need more Public Owned lands !!! this would solve the issue. But we need to put a cap on non resident archery hunters and have it be a lottery, take the past 5 year average and cap it at that. Our deer numbers are down overall and we need to address this. I think we need to cut archery antlerless tags in half, and for rifle as well for 2 years, then look at the numbers again.
591	Crossbow hunting should be legal for all archery units.

592	Why can't have the option to use a Cross Bow or traditional bow, both are very effective. Cross Bows have come a long way.
593	I feel the rifle season should be 1 week instead of 2 and not during the rut. I hunt both archery and rifle. Open a 1 week season of crossbow hunting prior to rifle. After rifle season close all deer hunting. I farm so I feed deer and my opinion is the deer numbers are down. I live along Jim river 20 miles south of sand lake.
594	It would be nice to have antlerless tags available for more areas.
595	How about allowing crossbows in on the current archery season. A lot of states have allowed them so I feel south dakota should too.
596	Should leave the current system in place. It works good why do you want to change it? There is a problem with too many city hunters that don't have a place to hunt.
597	My good friend lives in MT and his passion is archery mule deer hunting. He and I look forward to archery mule deer hunting in SD together each fall. I am a RESIDENT and he isn't. I am afraid if tags get limited for nonresidents, hunts like this would be impossible to plan between friends. As opportunity to hunt mule deer diminishes across the western states, more and more hunters turn to SD to fill the void. I have hunted for many years in multiple other states as a nonresident, and greatly enjoy it. I believe some of the most ethical and passionate sportsmen are in the nonresident community, and contrary to a lot of SD resident hunters I view this growth as a positive development. We SD residents and the SDGFP need to capitalize on this trend, rather than crush it like other western states have. Here are some ideas. Charge nonresidents, or all SD hunters a \$50 or even \$100 public land access permit and use the money to lease walk in areas and buy more state hunting land! Most hunters these days carry \$5000 worth of gear on them in the field, they can easily pay for a permit that would fund more access. I would gladly pay \$100 as a resident if I knew more quality land was available to hunt because of it. There is so much untapped potential out there in private tracts that nobody hunts. Private land in western SD is under utilized during archery season especially. Another idea, raise the price of a nonresident deer tag to match the cost of Montana's nonresident deer tag. I don't think we should limit nonresident archery hunters, the success rate is still very low and the amount of deer taken is low, allowing nonresidents to come during archery season is the best cash cow SDGFP has, don't kill it and limit them to only 6% of the tags! Letting them come on an over-the-counter low success tag will hook them on SD and they will apply for the rifle draws as well, further increasing revenue. We should use them (nonresidents) as a tool to raise as much money as possible to make the pie larger for everyone, and resident hunters will benefit the most when more walk in and public lands become available out their back door to hunt on a Wednesday evening.
598	I believe that the deer herd could be better regulated having certain regions that have more regulation on which animal is harvested. Like Wyoming where in one area the tag is good for any deer, and the next area you can only shoot mule deer with three points on one side or any whitetail. One statewide tag but each region has different regulations on what deer you can harvest with that tag. I know a little more complex. But if they aren't willing to do the extra 10 Min research before going to hunt an area. We probably don't want them hunting here.
599	Got to stop limiting public land. Getting where there are no places to hunt without public land. Do not limit the number of licenses.
600	I do not believe that archery tags in general need to be put into a drawing based on the number of people that are currently archery hunting. I do believe, if there's a biological impact on a population, it should be taken into account. However, we should not be making decisions based solely on someone's complaints that they see too many people while they are hunting. I especially don't believe that resident archery tags should be restricted AT ALL. If there is concern that too many non-residents are hunting on public ground there's a very simple solution. Make private land archery tags unlimited for non-residents and public land archery tags a limited draw for non-residents. I would like to keep resident tags the way they are, where you can draw East and West River or a Statewide tag. If it changed I wouldn't mind changing it to two Statewide tags. Having said all of this, if residents are going to be restricted to a draw on archery in ANY WAY then ALL non-resident archery tags should be removed. The rifle hunting opportunities have already dwindled because of the awful combined deer draw structure that went into effect in 2019. Don't ruin this too.

601	Make sure that the archery hunter that has a license can actually shoot. Get tired of hearing stories on how they made a bad or unethical shot. Watch people at local archery club and half can't shoot for #####, but still get tags every year.
602	The most important thing is that the deer hunting is distributed in a way that allows for a proper number of hunters in individual areas, which will provide the most chance for a balanced harvest in all locations.
603	with the increased bow hunting pressure the deer become nocturnal . in the time before so much bow hunting pressure it was a joy to watch the rut .
604	Trying to manage this component of our hunting privilege has to be complicated and very challenging. I appreciate the work that you do. Keep it simple. Do not sacrifice the quality of our hunting to commercial interests and revenue generating strategies. It seems like our hunting and sporting opportunities are always being pushed by special interests. What about habitat improvement and expansion? Continue to limit out of state influence and expansion. resist the political forces on the GF&P commission that have special interests and revenue generation as the main priority. Start appreciating and finding ways to hire and retain good conservation officers. One thing that ruins hunting across the board are people who are violating our game laws. We need more CO's in the field. Put value in the CO staff. lots of work to be done but if you resist special interests, political influence by state leaders, and the variety of other things that contaminate our hunting privileges we will be on the right track. Thanks for your time.
605	Archery is a true hunting sport. Those who participate are holding onto traditional methods. Less government control the better. Private land owners already "own" the deer on the land. Public land is trash by over hunting
606	Limit nonresident season to one month making them apply for limited months of the archery season
607	Limit the non resident archery hunting licenses and apply a draw format.\Keep resident format as it is.
608	Archery tags should be put on a draw like rifle tags, some people get archery, rifle and muzzle loader tags , with low deer counts in some areas we need to be fair in all areas of deer hunting. There are some hunters that end up with 4 to 6 deer and others fail to get 1 tag in a draw.
609	Please consider limited quota, lottery draw opportunities for non-residents in established zones or counties. Eg. slim buttes 25 non-resident tags. \\Extend all doe tags to Jan 15
610	Increase non resident cost of tags and allow resident archery unlimited antlerless tags. My family lives on deer meat and we almost ran out because we were limited on tags.
611	Explain why archery hunters cannot use the available technology in today's market to range and target whitetail deer while other states allow this. For example Iowa hunters can use the Garmin Xero bow sight. Wouldn't it seem we should allow as much technology as possible to humanly harvest an animal? Doesn't make any sense, why make it harder? If hunters choose not to use it, fine, they can use a long bow if they want. I have a \$2000 bow and would spent another \$1000 on a full proof site. I have lost deer that expire overnight because of misjudged distance. Change the law for the better.
612	You guys have created quite the s### show over the last few years with all your b#### changes. Good luck working it all out.
613	I sincerely hope that management of healthy deer population numbers is the largest deciding factor in the decision on how to handle distributing archery deer licenses. If not, then I believe that should be addressed first, before any decision is made on changing/not changing how licenses are distributed. If there is to be a more limiting method of handling distribution of archery deer licenses I hope it starts with nonresidents, followed by residents. And if you decide to change how you distribute archery deer licenses, I sincerely hope it is first and foremost in consideration of healthy, sustainable deer population numbers, followed secondly by educated and thoughtful discussion with appropriate stakeholders(ie. hunters, landowners etc). And, of course, all of this cannot be successful in the long term without appropriate communication with stakeholders. This includes, in my mind, explanations as to how and why these decisions are being made. Not simply because the GFP has received public input. And it should happen before any decisions are made, to foster trust among the various parties/stakeholders. Thank you for allowing us to be heard. I hope you understand the gravity of the potential changes for those that have spent a considerable portion of their lives dedicated to the interests of wildlife populations and the enjoyment of such, as well as future generations that hope to as well.

614	Change the youth hunting. Limit the number of tags you put out. Make them hunt during the regular rifle season. The archery hunters should not have to worry about the inexperience hunts
615	As far as I'm concerned u can do away with all bow season and focus more on muzzleloader season it's b#### I can't ever get one tag and I'm an land owner that plants food plots for deer and no my 50 acres to feed these deer just throwing money on the ground it's bill ### !!! Just don't count these deer in Davison county to be shot and I don't like bow hunters
616	Please quit giving out all the non-resident Archery tags got enough resident hunters as it is we donâ€™t more they have their own deer to hunt in their own state
617	Cap non resident hunters at 3,000, or only allow non-residents to shoot one statewide WHITETAIL, and/or only allow nonresident hunters to hunt October 1st-31st, statistically speaking non-residents are more likely to be successful with archery equipment because they will shoot any size deer towards the end of their trip
618	Thereâ€™s far too many uneducated archery hunters wasting deer by taking poor shots, losing the animal and then harvesting a second one. Iâ€™m tired of finding broken off arrowheads in deer. Maybe itâ€™s time to tap the brakes on the number of archery tags and triple the costs??
619	I believe the number of archery hunters the past few years is driven by the current rifle draw system. The state has the draw system so messed up and made it harder to get tags where in the past before the new system would be able to get. The rifle draw system needs to be fixed what is in place now is horrible. What took a couple years to get a tag with the old system has doubled the amount of preference needed to get the tag now.
620	thanks
621	Leave it how it is. Currently we can all go hunting east or west if we want.\\I think your feedback is coming from self centered individuals who go hunting on public land and see another person and get frustrated. Itâ€™s PUBLIC LAND, we shouldnâ€™t have to compete with each other in a draw to hunt on land that we all have access to as tax payers.\\If deer populations determine that there needs to be regulation then I agree, but not just because someone wants the public land to themselves.
622	Leave archery Season as is.
623	If it's growing more and becoming more croweded it should be closed to nonresidents and kept for residents only!
624	I hunt mostly private ground but that is mainly due to too many hunters on the public ground. It seems like there is an overwhelming number of non residents that hunt public ground. I think it would help if the non resident number of archery tags would be limited. I think out of state college students should have to be included in that category as well. I do not think resident archery tags should be limited at this time. Archery hunting may be the only way for a resident to get a deer tag. There are many counties in that state that are difficult to draw a rifle tag and may require several years of preference to draw
625	I believe that if I am hunting private ground that I should be able to purchase a license every year Iâ€™m the only person that hunts the ground but I would like to see more effort put into deer habitat that would make hunting public ground more desirable to me I donâ€™t see anything in my area that is strictly for that
626	Land owners should have 1st preference even with archery. They feed the so called Gfp deer with their crops. you can sell the non resident licenses like they are candy, but your need to increase your revenue has hampered hunting, and the whole process. non residents should be eliminated here for a couple years to better manage deer population and than, as needed, provide a certain small number of tags for archery non residents on a draw. actually there are enough residents that desire to hunt deer but don't because non resident hunters have no respect for the hunting ranges, and the public land is over run with dogs and hunters, driving all the deer off into private land. dang we pay taxes on land in this stats and you guys have seasons setup so hunting is so difficult if you don't own property this year is drier and deer will be more in wetland areas and that will be hard. if I wasn't a landowner, I probably would not hunt, because getting on private land is a real pain and public land is waste of time. I've been around walkin areas the past 10 years and have not archery shot a deer on any of them, and why, because it's all wrecked over traffic from out of state bird hunters who drive the deer out.. I bet you recieve a lot of responses like mine to get the non residents out of here.
627	I believe it is time to allow archery deer hunters to use cross bows to hunt deer.

628	Don't do a lottery on archery tags or units for them. Bowhunting is not a slam dunk like a rifle tag you can't drive around and shoot at a running deer or a deer 200 yards like you can with a rifle.
629	With so many deer die off licensing should be restricted to land owners only in counties where die off is occurring.
630	Please address the complete lack of management of any deer archery tags in South Dakota. Specifically, mule deer harvest along the Missouri River and western SD. SD GFP manages Firearm seasons by county yet archery is a free for all statewide. As a rural Hughes County resident it is a slap in the face that my family can only get a firearm any deer tag every 3-6 years in Hughes, West Sully or Stanley County yet a Non-resident archery hunter can get a any deer tag every year and hunt for three months. That is plain wrong. The public lands are over hunted along Lake Oahe exponentially. The quality of the deer has decreased greatly over the last 10 years from archery hunters. A firearm hunter waits 3-6 years to get a any deer tag then by the time the season starts the public land deer are killed or pressure off the public lands. The harvest stats in these counties show archery hunters are killing the same amount of mule deer vs firearm but archery hunters are pressuring the deer much more as they are chasing the deer for 3-4 months not 2 weeks. Also lethal non retrieval rates only get higher as archery hunters continue to shoot and wound animals at great distance, even up too 100 yds. \\I say all this out of the corner of my mouth because I archery hunt 20 plus days a year in Hughes, Sully, Stanley and Haakon Counties but I realize in order to keep the quality of deer we have we need to severally limit pressure and harvest on Mule deer in SD. \\GFP has some great biologist working for them but their hands are tied to actually managing the deer herds. I'm sure most agree that it is pointless to manage firearm deer by county by the year but they have unlimited archery tags. It's really pointless. \\Quit following the money train and please start restricting NR archery hunters first then move on to restricting mule deer harvest by residents
631	In my opinion all non resident licenses should be under a draw system and limited in numbers, why take away opportunities of those who live here and make it easier for those who donâ€™t, my main issue is with how easy it is for non residents to get a license here as of late, and way more difficult for residents. It is ridiculous how those of us who live here have felt punished and that the GFP is catering more to those who donâ€™t live here than those who do. Figure it out.
632	Limit the number of archery stands one person can have to maybe 3. Some people tie up hunting areas with 10 or more stands and don't use them. It's getting to the point where I'll have to hang up my bow. Thirty years ago it was a lot different, you didn't have to worry about someone driving past your stand in a side by side while you were hunting. Time to give it up.
633	Avoid commercializing hunting. Continue as is for residents. If limits are needed start a draw for non-resident.
634	Restrict the # of non-resident archery tags.
635	Any deer archery tags both resident and non resident should be capped. Once quota is met then no more tags are available. First come first serve basis
636	You should add cross bow for a person 60 and older
637	If your worried about number of licenses as to many. Cut back on non resident. Your residents deserve to hunt before any non resident. Some people depend on those tags to feed their families and others buy tags but never fill them because the wait to shoot a bigger deer.
638	There are to many out of state archery hunters I would say cut down on any deer tags in the black hills have 100 any deer tags for non resident and 300 any deer tags for resident there are pockets of two many deer in east river need to talk to more farmers about letting a person go hunting
639	Historical averages for archery hunting deer places the likelihood of successfully tagging a deer at 25%. Please do not place greater restrictions on an already challenging hunt.\\Please value SD resident sportsmen who support SD GFP year around over money from non-resident licenses and tags. Our hunting opportunities in SD are already too commercialized and I want to see SD GFP parks focus on preserving outdoor opportunities compared to focusing on revenue from non-resident tags and licensing.
640	Don't make us Residents have to choose west river/east river, when we can currently do both. Buying 2 tags generates more money for not only the State, but for local businesses as well.

641	Non residents shouldn't be guaranteed a tag.
642	Public land turns into a zoo after October 1st with non residents. Makes it so the quality of hunting goes down for residents after October 1st to the point i and other hunters shy away from hunting public land
643	I personally do not see any need to change the archery deer seasons and or licensing process at this time.
644	I believe herd management is most important issue facing our state currently. Each archery hunter should be required to harvest one or two antlerless deer and check them in before harvesting an antlered deer. Rifle hunters should have more restrictions (because of higher probability of success) on license and also be required to harvest antlerless deer prior to filling antlered tag.
645	Non residents, college students, and individuals from the metro area are the issue with poaching, trespassing, and poor sportsmanship. College students should not be allowed any resident licenses.
646	Why would SDGFP even consider limiting archery licenses when they do such a horrible job of over selling double doe firearms tags, along with other firearms seasons that target antlerless deer? The archery hunter is the most ethical hunter in the field. This is nothing more than a ploy by unhappy firearms hunters who feel someone else is harvesting "their" deer.
647	Need to have better habitat management with trees shelter belts and better forage on public hunting areas to keep and hold big game in them. I see a lot of public hunting areas and all they are is grass. Great for pheasants not for white tails and especially not archery hunters
648	Always favor the residents hunters before non-residents.
649	There are too many NR around our area. The resident that brings them in and guides them, started with 3-4 guys now brings 10-12 a year in. They also guide on public land which is illegal. Then they tell us we can't hunt the public during the weekends they are here. How about we cut NR tag numbers and make it a draw and increase the prices for NR like every other state does. It is all about money. Pretty soon they will be leasing all the ground and my son, grandsons, and I will have no where to hunt. I guess that is what it looks like all the SDGFP is worried about is money and not a tradition anymore. It is pretty bad as an honest Sportsman my mentality is that is cheaper to poach a deer than to buy all the tags and stamps and preference points anymore(as I would never do that). I have heard people say if you get caught they will take away your license for a year though. Pretty hard to take it away if not buying one anyways. Pretty soon it won't matter because hunting will be for the rich as the prices are pushing out the average hunters anyways.
650	Should have same ideas on the buck/doe regulations as rifle, more for a set of horns.
651	I believe nonresidents should be restricted and put into a draw for archery tags ,specifically for WR or statewide tags. In the area I hunt I had seen numerous out of state hunters last year going after mule deer and I stayed in a motel right next to 2 Wisconsin hunters that both shot mule deer in the area I was hunting. That's 2 bucks that I as a resident would not have the ability to harvest in my small area of interest. Whitetail hunters I don't believe are the problem, but the mule deer nonresident hunters are by and far becoming increasingly more abundant and coming from all of these eastern states such as Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Michigan etc because they don't have mule deer populations to hunt in those regions. Minnesota license plates are what I have seen the most of.
652	Have been seeing a lot of public land that is being taken out of walk in areas or crep and the land owner is either cutting it or farming it again. Kind of worried that the land owners aren't being taken care of when their land is leased. And with this habitat stamp how come that is not required for anybody that is on a public land. I'm sure like 90 percent of the people on a public land are hunters but there are people that joy walk them and are bird watching how come they aren't required to pay to use them like us sportsman's. It seems like a lot of public ground gets a lot of hunting pressure from out of staters which is what it is just a lot of them do wreck hunts and I get it it's public and I'm used to it but between Sioux falls ### and out of staters it just gets old after awhile. But it's public so I'm just used to it I guess now
653	It would be nice to offer antlerless tags again to areas that have an abundance. Limit to one tag antlerless tag.

654	<p>The thought of a resident of the state, like myself, having to choose between a west river archery tag and an east river archery tag is completely unacceptable. We as residents, should be able to continue to buy both tags and enjoy the resources of the state we live in, either side of the river or both! There are plenty of deer and opportunities on both sides of the river for all residents and let's not forget the most important part of this whole archery discussion...the success rate of a bow hunter! Rifle, different success rate. But myself, to travel out west river to hunt a ranch or public, is not only bringing positive effects financially to small towns that need that, but also to enjoy the people have acquired many friendships thru the years that would not happen if I didn't bow hunt west river. If the state is after money from nonresident bow hunters and especially rifle hunters, and trying to sort thru the SD bow hunters and give them a choice on where they want to hunt, terrible idea!! ...raise the tag price for nonresidents and they will still pay it. To put it in a nutshell...we lost a bunch of deer last year to eh. If I had only one tag, east river tag, I would not be bowhunting this year, to let the deer numbers recover. But I still have a west river tag, so going to be making numerous trips, spending money in the state, so I can bow hunt this year. The state forgets about those situations I think. The state can't control mother nature and the things that happen when people lose deer numbers but yet still love to hunt. I would really hope this decision never happens with choosing one tag or another, or hunters like myself will be going to other states, pumping money in their state. Maybe that is what the state is trying to do, push residents out and bring in nonresident for revenue. I see it in pheasant hunting, and fishing already. I truly hope people stand up and write in and stand strong against these thoughts that go thru the states mind, guessing most have no idea about hunting, just see dollar signs! \#####</p>
655	<p>I strongly believe we need to regulate the non resident license and availability before you take away anything from the residents. There should be a draw system there before you punish the residents. I also believe that youth season is getting to be out of hand. What happened at making a minimum age to hunt it doesn't have to be 12 it could be 10 and take away the opportunity to take mule deer. The numbers are way down</p>
656	<p>Would love to continue archery hunting but have given up due to the lack of public and private lands to hunt if you didn't grow up in the area. Just like with rifle hunting landowners are saying no to hunters and too many out of state landowners buying land and not allowing hunting.</p>
657	<p>Start a draw system for non res like waterfall or they have to pick two weeks like pheasant. The out of state plates are taking over the public land and don't care if you are already at a spot. I wouldn't change the east/west archery tag. I rarely go west river hunting but always get a tag to support conservation and can still go if a friend draws a rifle tag</p>
658	<p>Keep the non-residents out. They can hunt in their own states.</p>
659	<p>Season starts too soon. Manage deer populations not hunters. Open up section lines & roads to bow hunting.</p>
660	<p>lets face it gfp has almost no control on private land deer populations. that is mostly controlled by land owners with the number hunters allowed access to their land. the complaints im hearing about and issues ive seen are coming from the large groups coming in from out state. when groups of 6-8 -12 or more come in and flood the parcels of public areas. a reasonable approach to access permits and group size is maybe the first step. non residents groups have know doubt figured out where the public lands pocket mule deer are at especially. the limited access areas for resident rifles tags was the easiest for them to dial in on.</p>
661	<p>I hunt on both private and public land, mainly East River, SD, and the amount of hunters, especially close proximity to COLLEGES, is absolutely ridiculous in the last few years. I understand it's everyone's right to pursue game if granted a tag but something has to be done soon regarding whitetail deer, especially in Lake, Moody, and Brookings counties. The resource has to be protected or both the resource (deer) and the economic value it provides for communities will vanish. Whitetail buck numbers have crashed over the last 3 years. I have the opportunity in certain years to have 3 ER buck tags. I will be first to admit this state needs rethink the system and no one should get more than one buck tag per each side of the state. Then if numbers show again down the road we can redirect then. Please act and thank you for all you do.</p>

662	Archery hunting is not like rifle hunting. With archery, there are many things have to go right in order to harvest a deer. With rifle, you can shoot long distances. Not every archery hunter tags out every year. I know I don't! If you start doing applications like rifle, I think you will lose revenue for the State. Just my opinion, but with archery, it's not just about harvesting. It's about sitting in the stand ot the blind, and seeing if you can outsmart that big buck. You have to get close to get a good shot! I say, keep it the same as it has been for years.
663	Limit the number of archery licenses and provide more licenses for gun hunters. It seems I can only get a gun license on average of one every 3 years for the areas I would like to hunt
664	way too many out of state archery hunters out of state tags are way to cheap
665	I'm born & raised in this great state and an avid outdoorsman. My belief is the current system is working great and does not need any modification. I would suggest leaving as is but decrease the amount of nonresident tags. With the new influx of people moving to our state the hunting pressure will only increase. We Southdakotans need room to grow our kids and give them the same opportunities I had, my father had and his father had to enjoy our states resources.\\What is comes down to is LESS hunting pressure on public and private land equates to quality game management with an abundance of game to be enjoyed by everyone. \\Thanks for listening.\\####
666	The number of non resident archery deer tags should be capped and not unlimited. A number of other states cap their big game licenses for non residents. I also feel like more people took to the field to hunt in 2020 and 2021 due to covid and the changes it made to their jobs/careers. It would be interesting to see what the data shows moving forward in the next few years if things were left the way they currently are.
667	Out of state hunters have hurt the mule deer population in a big way. They have a higher success rate because they aren't picky. They are here for a short time and want to fill a tag and don't care about conservation and passing up young/little deer. Public lands are full of out of state vehicles starting in October and the deer just get pounded. SD has to be about the last state to have unlimited NR tags. Prime opportunity to limit tags, increase price, and generate revenue while making the deer heard healthier and growing.
668	I believe the number of non resident deer hunter should be decreased and the price of their tags should be raised significantly so the price of residents can remain low like other states , the gfp could take lessons from other states on how to manage non resident hunters instead of worrying about how much money they can make!!!
669	Keep the current system!!
670	The public land I hunt archers leave there deer stands up all year and it's hard to find a good spot for mine. No one watches for that.
671	There are more archery hunters because of the draw system established several years ago for the gun draw. The REAL HUNTERS want to hunt but the new gun draw system makes getting a license much more difficult. I used to hunt in 3 or 4 seasons. Now it is one or two plus archery. A lot of the gun licenses in the new system end up going to ### hunters who hunt opening morning only and not the real hunters who hunt every available time they can and eat 5 or 6 deer. The land owner where I hunt is disgusted in that more deer can't be shot. I have one doe tag this year and no buck. It's hardly worth the effort for only 40 pounds of venison. This was a great state for hunters until a few years ago. Now it is less tags and more regs like the Peoples' Republics to the east.
672	I have quit rifle deer hunting because of lack of drawing tags. Unfair to have unlimited archery tags.
673	Thanks for the chance to hunt so freely in this state.
674	As a landowner I would like to see a landowner only permit for archery if they decide to go with a lottery system for archery tags. I have seen over the years that more and more archery hunters are in my area and hunting any property they can get permission on. I have also had multiple out of state residents ask for permission to hunt my land. There is definitely an increase of hunters in my area, northeastern SD.
675	Sorry I wasn't more help. I'm satisfied with things tiny areas.
676	We need to manage the license numbers better and limit the number of hunting licenses sold in areas where deer numbers especially on public lands are being hit hard like along Lake Oahe north of Pierre. This will help to make for a better hunting experience for everyone.

677	You guys over think to much of this stuff.
678	Take a look at North Dakota system. Non residents have to draw a mule deer tag. Our mule deer numbers are hurting. Push the season back to the end of September and do a draw for early season permits. These deer are easily patterned in the late summer months
679	Just leave it alone! Youâ€™ve already changed deer hunting in the past and has only made things worse!
680	I think we need to limit the out of state a little more like maybe have them draw preference points like we have to do when we go to other states to bow hunt. Because it is the residents that bring in most the of money state wide for our hunting trips, food plots, equipment and etc.
681	Too many out of state hunters already ruined are hunting. Resident have to pay to hunt or canâ€™t hunt. Guides take thier hunters to public lands first then there own. See it all the time. I see lodges driving at night hearing deer onto thier own property! If had deer come by me while lâ€™m in the stand and the neighbors have paid hunters and they honk there horns and crap to scare the deer away from me. All for out of state hunters!
682	I feel everything should stay the same. if anything limit out of state hunters
683	I guess my biggest thing is that if you get a deer you can send back in for another tag. lâ€™m getting turned down for a rifle tag because you say that there isnâ€™t enough deer, but turn around and give out more archery tags. \ A landowner can let whoever they want to hunt their land. I donâ€™t argue that, but in the recent years 2 guys from Minnesota took 4 trophies that I knew were there, but didnâ€™t have time to go after. They were caught baiting the deer. Good job SDGFP! Thatâ€™s what really made me believe that 1 archery tag is enough for nonresidents. I donâ€™t even think resident hunters need more than 1 archery tag.\ These are just my thoughts on the subject. I appreciate the opportunity to get out and see the wildlife and recognizing certain deer as soon as I see them.\ Thanks.
684	let crossbows be legal and offer nonresidents to get a rifle tag
685	Open anterless archery tags in Yankton county there are to many does
686	No comment
687	Resident Hunters over 60 should be allowed use a crossbow
688	Non residents hunters have too much access to licenses and areas. It may be confirmation bias, but I see as many out of state hunters or slightly more than residents on public land. I believe a lottery system similar to the nonresident waterfowl licenses would help keep traffic on public hunting areas to a more appropriate level. Nothing worse than some dudes spooking a muley you've been glassing, then finding out they're from Wisconsin.
689	Have out of state hunters do a lottery draw with the limited access included. I prefer archery over rifle due to the fact I live west river and hunt both east and west, so doing more state wide would be beneficial to others like me.
690	Please let archery hunters manage the areas they hunt.
691	Mule deer numbers are down in a lot of areas. In low density areas hunters should be restricted from harvesting a mule deer of any sex.
692	ALLOW BAITING FOR ARCHERY. ALOT OF OTHER STATES DO AND IT HAS NOT AFFECTED THE POPULATION. AT LEAST UNTIL NOVEMBER 1ST. EARLY SEASON IS DIFFICULT FOR THE FAR EAST OF THE STATE UNTIL HARVEST IS DONE
693	I think if you have restricted areas just for bow hunting pick good areas with good cover and at least 300 acres or more in each walk in south dakota would start producing a lot bigger deer and put them off limits durning rifle season so they have so were to hide I manag privet ground its 700 acers let 3 bow hunters and only I rifle hunt bucks and let youth hunters in to shot does of fist time buck hunter youth the deer arnt spooked and they is becoming a lot of big deer after 5 years even after have ehd twice on the property in thows 5 years
694	Make it possible to access all BLM ground for in state hunters. I prefer if gfp doesnt regulate the number of Archery tags a resident hunter can get. It's very frustrating to even get a rifle tag now since the changes of only two rifle tags per year. I used to get two to four tags a year.
695	Less rifle tags in far eastern countryâ€™s / option of more archery or muzzle loader tags for any deer ! ðŸ˜Š

696	In the area I hunt in there are too many deer harvested by archery before firearms season.
697	I did click keep the access permit restrictions the same but believe the black hills should be reconsidered. Sometimes that's a good tag along hunt with someone who has a different tag but you don't know if that's a probability early on.
698	Way too many out of staters hunting public ground west river.
699	put max on NR license with 10% or less total tags
700	nonresident's are over running public land west river for Mule deer.\You need to put a limit on nonresident tags and increase the cost to nonresidents!!
701	Restrict pheasant hunting on certain public hunting grounds during rifle big game seasons.
702	While archery hunting west river I have never had an issue with running into an abundance of other resident hunters. However, the times I have seen overcrowding on public lands during archery season is due to nonresidents. Our hunting group of 4 people go archery hunting every year in Harding county. We will never again do our trip during the time period when it is open to nonresidents. We don't hunt the restricted access permit areas of the Slim Buttes and Cave Hills and we still run into a large amount of overcrowding. The vast majority of these hunters are nonresidents based on their license plates. I don't have any animosity towards nonresident hunters - I enjoy hunting out of state as well - and I always want there to be an opportunity for nonresidents in this state. That being said, I do think nonresidents should have to draw specific units and that the tag numbers allocated to these units should be limited. I think that is a good place to start before restricting residents' opportunities. Eventually the resident archery hunters' opportunities will/should be limited. Is now the time? I don't know.
703	I like that I can always get an archery license, in the event I don't draw a rifle tag. \\I think archery season should be opened up to include crossbows.
704	I would hope that GF&P would not restrict me from hunting on my family's private land after doing so for well over 20 yrs.
705	We need less out of state people archery hunting.
706	You guys consistently make it harder for non residents to hunt your state, It would be nice if we did not see that here.... I hunt east river. I cant even get a gun tag so I rely on being able to get an archery tag each year for a chance to hunt and see close friends that I only see when I am Archery hunting SD.
707	No unlimited deer licenses.
708	I think the archery season starts too soon.
709	I have none at this time!
710	Only put limit archery tags to 5 to 10 units since that was the closest option to my opinion. The state could start with limiting non resident tags, and limit non resident tags to units. If that doesn't change the traffic in a few years, then start limiting resident tags. South dakota could be competing with any other state for good quality deer and numbers. It would be nice to see the state stick up for residents like all the states to the west of us are doing. Glad this topic has been brought up and hunter's opinions have been asked.
711	I would like to see a cap on NR , and a price increase on NR. It doesnt have to be big, but draw a line in the sand and keep things in check. We are one of the cheapest states for nonresidents without a draw. We need to provide a quality experience in the field, while doing what is best for the resorce.
712	Limit the non-resident licenses
713	Non residents licenses should be more limited, keep cattle off of public land
714	I live in a reservation area and the biggest problem is native Americans shooting too many deer during a longer hunting period. We as landowners and residents should have every right that the Native Americans have. Also, the licenses for non residents need to double in price. We are the cheapest state for non residents and we have the most to offer.
715	I think the archery success rates are so low that many of the tags issued go unfilled.
716	The only thing i think should change is no archery hunting during rifle season. At least opening weekend

717	This does not have anything to do with archery deer but it does affect the deer numbers. I would like to see the deer draw go back to the way used to be. In the last three years I have ran into over 25 random hunters on public land and asked their opinion of the new draw system. I have yet to find anybody that's in favor of it even though it was what the majority wanted. Sometimes change is not a good thing. They tried something different and it doesn't seem to be working.
718	Need to open Ft Pierre Grasslands for antelope archery only. I think it is silly that we can't hunt antelope with bow and arrow in that unit. \Need to plant more food plots on pubic ground. Please consider planting like the old days.
719	Raise the non resident archery tag prices, they are killing all SD deer and cheap!!
720	I have been fortunate the last few years to draw an any rifle tag, but that is not a guarantee. Same with anterless tags. Archery tags are the for sure way that I can always at least have one deer tag a year. I can hunt private ground more readily for archery versus rifle. I really would appreciate leaving the archery season alone. \\If there is concern for not enough tags being available, maybe consider limiting landowners who are guaranteed rifle tags to not be eligible for archery as well. Or give them an option. \\I don't mind the four unit idea, but I don't think that would work well as the county I live in borders a highly sought after hunting county, and I would be scared that my draw options would be limited. \\I do think that Gregory county needs to have a special archery or rifle permit to hunt the public ground just across from the 44 hwy bridge. I have hunted out there the last few years with no success due to the large amount of people. In fact we about ran someone over who was sitting just off the trail because we couldn't see them and it was so populated. Opening day there are literally people within 100yards of you without you knowing it. A special tag in that area after regular season could be an idea to increase revenue and provide more people with a unique hunting opportunity because the hunting pressure won't be as high during that time and with fewer people it might be safer. I think I said something similar like this a few years ago on another survey.
721	For people only hunting private land like myself as a nonresident, I don't think there should be a limited number of archery licenses. The success rate from my experience is still close to 25% from the 5-6 guys that archery hunt on the 3000 acres I hunt on. I'm limited to so many days I can actually hunt and not many of those days the weather is in my favor. Deer generally aren't cooperating either, therefore I don't see the need for any further restrictions.
722	Leave Resident Archery Tags the same... change Non Resident to being put into a draw
723	Up the nonresident price and limit to 1000 nr tags
724	If it isn't broke don't fix it. I believe that most of the issued licenses don't get filled anyway so take the revenue and be happy. And I think your new website is total garbage.
725	As other states start to crack down on nonresident hunters I feel that SD has to bring our nonresident hunting in line. I would like to have Non-residents restricted to smaller draw units with reduced quotas. I am not aware of any other states that allow a nonresident to hunt the entire state with a deer license.
726	Change it to resident only
727	I am currently not an archery deer hunter therefore some of my answers have no opinion. What I do know, is that I don't want the private land I hunt inundated with archery hunters.\\Thank you for everything you do!
728	Please close Anterless mule deer harvest for all hunting...Rifle, Muzzleloader Archery, Residents and NR...unless it is a depredation problem determined by GF&P.\\Limit NR archery on public access lands due to overcrowding to a draw.
729	I don't want the state to limit archery deer tags.
730	If the rifle draw didn't get so tough to get tags the archery would not have gotten so big.\\Now takes 2-3 years for west river deer when it used to be every day
731	Limit the number of tags issued just like you do with rifle and muzzle loader groups.
732	Make non-resident a draw system with limited tags

733	Why do the archery hunters get unlimited tags? Why does their season need to go so long? Modern archery tackle has led to higher success rates and poorer hunters. Many archery hunters wound 2 or 3 deer and only collect one. I don't feel it's right for archery to be able to hunt pre rut, rut,, and post rut seasons. East River rifle season has been moved back and it now starting after rut it seems making it difficult for harvest. I think it would be a good idea to limit the archery season more than it is.
734	Non-residents overtake the public ground, leaving tax paying residents with less opportunity.
735	The cost for nonresident licenses is to little. Any other states has a price way over anything in South Dakota. This is the main reason, besides people with felonies, choose South Dakota. My personal opinion is that if you donâ€™t live here, you donâ€™t hunt or fish here. But thatâ€™s why I live here
736	Leave it as is.
737	Restrict non-resident bow hunters licenses to a limited draw with 20,000 available. Keep resident hunters unlimited but limit to regions
738	I feel that license preference should be given to in state hunters first. I am not against making non resident a lottery situation. Limit the numbers of non resident hunters. I do like the idea of breaking it up into regions. I do not like the idea of limiting resident archey hunting. It is a tough sport and even with good private ground to hunt we dont always fill tags. Many people hunt for the fun of it but many also hunt for the meat/food value. I dont think we should take that away for resident hunters.
739	Issue why there is a 30% increase in archery licenses and hunting is due to the cluster the GF&P put forward restricting firearm licenses and allowing the landowner buck tags. that ruined a lot of opportunities to hunt deer thus move to archery just to be able to harvest a deer. GF&P claim low deer population which is not correct and a false claim.
740	The system works just fine for residents. If you want to change anything, up the cost for the Non-Resident. It doesn't need to be any cheaper to hunt SD than any other state for them. You want to play, you got to pay. \\There is no need to make it more expensive or difficult for the resident archery hunter. \\While we are on the topic, shorten or eliminate the number of years a person has to wait to start applying again after drawing their archery elk tag. 10 years wait is too long when it takes 15-20 years to draw.
741	You need to raise the price of non-resident tags. Either make more money on out of state hunters and take care of SD residents!!!!
742	If we continue to limit tags we will continue to reduce the amount of people (mostly young people) entering hunting and enjoying the great outdoors.
743	I think we are at the point we should look at limited draw non resident. I have been hunting SD for 28 years and the last 5 has been a really issue particularly out west.
744	There's too many seasons putting too much pressure on all the deer in my opinion. Shorter seasons will lead to less pressure and more deer.
745	To many youth tags. Kids that aren't capable of safely walking and carrying a deer rifle shouldn't be hurting yet. 14 seemed like a vary logical age.
746	In busy areas like Newton Hills I would like to see hunters be restricted to only one tree stand. Same with trail cameras. It is extremely intimidating and frustrating trying to find a place to hunt with tree stands and trail cams every where. Also it would be nice if people would show more constraint and only harvest mature bucks.
747	Non-resident archery deer tags should be a limited draw license. The price should be comparable to Iowa and surrounding states for their non-res licenses.
748	Allow licenses to be bought over the counter. \Start archery season later when itâ€™s cooler and start deer rifle season AFTER Thanksgiving.
749	I want to hunt all 3 deer seasons but have to choose only 2
750	Keep it the way it is except charge significantly more for on resident tags. I know guides that have 40-50 hunters come hunt SD because it is so cheap compared to everywhere else. Also they should be restricted to private land only the public land has been over hunted for too many years. They can get permission or pay to hunt

751	I have lots of hunters on my land , 6,509 acres, but I prefer archery hunters because the deer or turkeys have a chance. I try to let or find places for all to hunt. I still hunt but the deer almost need to get in the way before I shoot. I really enjoy just seeing wildlife and I don't think we should
752	Our voice doesn't matter because the GFP will screw it up anyway just like the firearms seasons and tags
753	Give out less nonresident licenses
754	Having unlimited archery tags available to kill mule deer in both resident and non resident is beyond ridiculous. It's especially ridiculous east of the river. I warned you fools 5 years ago and now public hunters have decimated the last of any hunt able mule deer bucks by us. Little bend rec area is officially decimated, and subsequent corp land equally picked through. Keep up the substandard work! Never been so disillusioned by a state group in my life, the public needed you to save them from themselves and you. Tag restrictions are like speed limits, no one likes them, but they are in everyone's best interest. \ Thanks, #####
755	One of the great benefits of living in SD is the ability to get a guaranteed deer tag every year for archery hunting. I love having the ability to hunt at home or out west. If anything we should reduce out of state hunters to give in state hunters first right to do what they love.
756	The reason for the huge increase in archery hunters is because you guys screwed up the draw system. Now the only way many people have a chance to deer hunt is archery. At this rate we will continue to lose hunters and our hunting way of life will keep slipping away because the gfp has hampered the chances for so many to go hunting. With the current draw system, I'm sitting on a pime of points i will likely never use. Why would I WASTE one of my two rifle draw chances on a hunt such as Custer State Park deer that has an impossibly low draw odds. You needed more actual hunters on the game commission, instead you have wealthy farmers and landowners and ladies thst don't even hunt.
757	I like the present system pretty well. I do feel we need to restrict the number of non-resident tags.
758	Let's continue to manage the resource effectively and allot tags based on the herd more than a few upset hunters. I m fine with restricting access to an area if pressure is too high or the area is subject to habitat damage
759	There are bird hunters to deal with, also, so hard to tell whos doing what. -Also people with ORV's should be restricted during deer season. - I like the old system better, this system makes you look like crooks. -Preference points should be done differently, and not thrown back into the pool.
760	The SD GFP commission has consistently disregarded resident outdoorsman's input and wishes on issues. Please leave the system alone and do not screw it up.
761	Shorten the season. Archery technology is so advanced that it's not much different than rifle hunting. Get them out of the tree stands. Get them on foot or ground blinds. By the time rifle season comes around many areas have been pounded for weeks and the bigger bucks have been taken and the rest of the deer have been so pressured that there's not much left. Spread them out too. Too many hunters are hunting the popular areas, thin them out! Give the deer a chance. Make it a hunt on equal footing.
762	Private land should not be restricted in anyway regarding archery deer hunting. If applicants have private land to hunt on, the license should be granted.
763	Possibly look at adjusting license numbers in certain areas in some yeas due to deer population changes .
764	I just returned from hunting another state, they restrict the number of mule deer (any deer) license for nonresident hunters, while there is no limit on whitetail license. Deer numbers were very strong on the public land we hunted, especially the mule deer.

765	Not a fan of the September 1st opening especially on public land out west. It has in my opinion ruined archery antelope in the north west corner of the state. My question is Are harvest numbers going up? I used to hunt a lot on public land but hunting pressures have limited this greatly. I am fortunate to have privately owned land to hunt on so this affects my opinion. I realize I am blessed to have ranching friends and my neighbors East river. Private land will take care of themselves and the hunters they give access. My concern is for the guy who only has\Public land to hunt. This state has many great areas that\Offer good public access hunting. That is the group I would focus on in this difficult topic
766	nonresident archery hunters are getting too good of a deal to come to south dakota, if there is any changes that are coming down the line to restrict any archery hunters it should first come to nonresident hunters
767	Decrease the nonresident tags and up the price for nonresident to keep the state's income. Try this for a couple of years and then reassess
768	Archery needs controlled the way you think rifle needs controlled , landowners need to be made a priority in every aspect because they are the ones creating the habitat for the animals , need to keep everyone that doesn't add to habitat being able to have free reign
769	Limit rifle hunters who also apply for archery tags. Choose one or the other.\This will reduce number of archery hunters and reduce number of rifle hunters.\Win win
770	Close state parks to the public for 45 days where archery hunting is allowed
771	It seems like the refugee gets hit hard by nonresident so that's why I put restrict more access. When I hunt west river during bow or rifle season I run into more nonresident bow hunters then residents. It seems like some areas get hit pretty hard by nonresidents. I would like to see nonresident archery tags to have a cap of like 10%.
772	I support limiting the number of mule deer doe licenses until mule deer numbers increase. I don't think bowhunters are harvesting too many deer otherwise.\\It is very nice to be able to get an East River and a West river archery license since it is hard to draw rifle licenses. This allows us to hunt every year even if we don't get rifle tags. This is economically beneficial to the state and we don't kill that many deer.\\If you want to limit archery licenses in the black hills just make the mule deer archery license a limited draw with whitetails unrestricted.
773	We are at a pivotal point in our deer management for our state. I personally am very concerned with the mule deer numbers in general. The general hunting public has an increasing demand for mule deer and we need to be careful not to allow for those populations to dwindle. Please consider going to one archery tag for both residents and non residents. It would also be beneficial to make all archery hunters draw for a mule deer permit.
774	Stop handing landowner rifle tags out like its candy. Just because they own land doesn't mean they and ALL of their kids should get a tag
775	Need to reduce deer heard
776	id rather have to wait a few years and have a nice hunt with fewer hunters than hunt every year and see few animals and many hunters
777	fewer out of state hunters. raise the price of non resident hunters
778	The number of non resident archery hunters in South Dakota is increasing and will continue to increase due to the ease and low cost of a non resident archery tag. This is crowding public areas and pushing residents out from my perspective. South Dakota is way behind on pricing for all of their non resident licenses regardless of species. I believe these prices should be increased to level off non resident hunter numbers and increase income off of those hunters. Most will continue to come back with an increase in price due to the good hunting opportunity South Dakota provides.
779	Pretty much leave things as is, deer numbers of course would effect things. If due to increased pressure in state then reduce out of state hunters and do not make the residents pay for this by restricting tags. Thanks, ####
780	out of state hunters should be limited draw. Especially mule deer
781	If the deer numbers support them the let them hunt.

782	Encourage land owners to leave habitat for wild life , they are taking out too many tree groves and sloughs and the deer just don't have enough to survive and grow in age to support trophy class bucks. And to give those big bucks a chance to breed and pass on the quality genes.
783	As a former resident of SD for 38 of my 50 years I think I have a good perspective from each side of this issue because this is really about non resident OTC tag on public land mostly Harding County and the Black Hills for Mule deer hunting. I think that having a limited public land draw for non residents is fine In certain units but I think itâ€™s ridiculous to limit all archery tags when the issue is really these few units. I would be very upset if I couldnâ€™t come home and hunt my own land like I have for 40 years with my dad and friends because of issues out west. My proposal would be simple raise the price of the non resident tags lâ€™ll gladly pay more and offer a special buck/doe tag unlimited for private land only. This allows people like myself with land to come home and hunt add money to the local economy where I grew up and letâ€™s landowners decide who can hunt and how many deer they need to cull. As far as the East/West river archer OTC tags donâ€™t take more opportunities away from residents itâ€™s not needed.
784	Public lands are way over saturated with hunters. Tree stands remain year round with no penalty or law enforcement. The lack of private access has created very poor experiences in public land.
785	Leave resident licence the same limit out of state hunters to 300
786	NR archery tags should be a cap and draw equivalent to the 8% allocated to NR rifle hunters. \\Sick of having hunts ruined by the NR hoards that come here every year and abusing our dwindling Mule deer herd by shooting does and adolescents, just so they can say they shot a mule deer. \\IMO, NR should not be able to hunt antelope or mule deer at all, at least until we get numbers back up significantly. \\Conservation is far more important than tourism revenue...
787	lâ€™m not sure why this came up. You proposed a great plan for changing the gun draw structure several years back. It was rejected and watered down. If implemented it would have been a much better change than blaming archery for perceived decreases in opportunity.
788	With modern archery equipment now extremely accurate at long ranges I believe it is time to restrict the number of tags a bit. Archery hunters seem to be killing more deer and at longer ranges than ever before. Their equipment is now as accurate as many firearms out to 50 to 70 yards. Every year I hear of archers taking deer at unheard of ranges not to many years ago. I know of one Castlewood hunter who took a deer at 90 yards even tho he hit it in the head instead of the lungs he was aiming for. I feel even stronger about muzzle loading rifles now guaranteed accurate out to 300 yards and even more. This goes way beyond the scope of the original intent behind dedicated ML hunts.
789	Stop messing with the deer draw system. Every time gfp thinks it has a good idea it just ruins what we had in place.
790	My main issue is that there is no option for mule deer doe's in certain counties or mule deer buck licenses. All mule deer licenses are grouped into Any deer tags so if mule deer is what you have the option of shooting you have to fight for any deer tags and more than likely not receive unless you have preference points. I think there should be fewer any deer tags and more specified tags so that you can apply for the specific tag that you wish to shoot or just make them all any deer and any doe tags.
791	Leave archery there way it is currently
792	Don't mess with something that is not broken. Leave it the way it is and focus on real issues.
793	How can deer populations be properly managed when there are unlimited archery permits available? Opportunity for other hunting methods (muzzleloader, etc.) must be reduced to compensate for increasing archery participation. How about a system where hunters get a deer permit(s) and then get to choose the methods season they prefer.
794	Rifle season opens too early; it coincides with the beginning of the rut. This ruins the best time of the season for the archery hunters, especially on public lands. The opening of rifle season should be pushed back.
795	Sorry I have not archery hunted in years.
796	I feel the non-resident archery tags are too easy and unlimited to get. It should be a limited draw.

797	I would like to limit each bowhunter to only one any deer tag and the requirements to earn a buck tag by checking in a confirmed antlerless kill first. Any deer tags would possibly need to become limited & if so they would be on a first come first serve basis. Shoot your doe, check it in, get an any deer tag if they are still available
798	The public land is way over hunted. Especially the black hills with archery hunting. . No reason for Wisconsin and Minnesota deer hunters to be there at all. South Dakota is going to wreck the hunting by allowing all the bow hunters especially now with the modern archery equipment. Deer cannot be relentlessly hunted for 4 months. Do a draw system for archery just like firearms and close the public land to non resident deer hunters. Thank you
799	Fewer Mule deer need to harvested, the species needs some help/protection to maintain and improve its numbers.\\On an unrelated note, your new website is a joke
800	I'd like to see a modest price increase in non resident tags along with a cap on availability that is based off the percentage of the total tags drawn by residents. Similar to other states. I also don't think nonresidents should get near the amount of tags for the restricted areas, specifically Custer national forest area in Harding County.
801	Eliminate the use of cross bows for medical reasons. If you can't pull 40 pounds and hold 15 pounds. Stick with rifle/any weapon season.\\No trail cams allowed on public land. One big guy shows up on camera and the area is over run with hunters.
802	Keep same for residents and restrict nonresident license to management specific areas, counties, regions, new units. Also make option for whitetail only tags for certain areas where mule deer are struggling on public land.
803	A lot depends on the location of the hunting area anything close to newton hills is always busy. You go up north to day county\and you got the place to yourself.
804	I only hunt private land for whitetail, as there are no mule deer in my area.
805	As a former SD resident this is the only opportunity to hunt deer with family in SD. I spend an average of \$4000 yrly to hunt and another \$3000 for family members who are residents. This would all be eliminated with more restrictions on nonresidents.
806	You should be able to go into any outfitter location and purchase an any deer tag over the counter like a fishing license. \It would definitely help younger people and others to get out and hunt because the numbers are at a horrible declining rate and the cost of hunting is out of control. I don't see how this would not make sense.
807	Improve access roads to hard to reach public areas or purchase lease rights on neighboring private land. This would free up opportunities for hunters
808	Keep up the good work!
809	I understand there may be more hunters but I think ultimately we want more people hunting. That is not a negative as the department has insinuated. What has got my curiosity, how many more deer have been harvested if any? That should be driving decisions.
810	Increase opportunity for bow hunter who is willing to sacrifice technology in favor of opportunities. Technology is the factor here so if we are not willing to limit technology then offer more opportunities for those that are willing to limit themselves. The bottom line is high tech is reason for high success rates.
811	Leave it the way it is

812	<p>I fully realize deer populations fluctuate from year to year and from region to region based on water, food, habitat and diseases. I do not think the deer population was handled well in the past 10 years. After the outside review process of the game department was completed I think the deer management has improved along with deer populations in the areas of east river rifle and bow hunt. I truly believe over hunting caused some serious problems in the past. Lets not go there again. I am for limiting out of state interests especially guides because they take way land from normal guys like me to deep pocket out of state hunters looking for a new honey hole area they can exploit. Its already happening along the Missouri river both sides and southwest west river and tribal lands throughout the state. We limit duck and goose hunters from out of state why not deer hunters in some respect. Thank you for all you do for us hunters and outdoorsman and women. I know its a hard process but keep asking and never keep trying to improve our great state hunting heritage.</p>
813	<p>i would like to see more game wardens out enforcing violations , versus the restrictions of who can hunt where\i see it every year that multiple people are violating laws, whether it be driving down closed access roads, or just blatantly violating hunting laws.. \as far as access goes, I have hunted the forest service ground in Harding County, and see a lot of hunters, both resident and nonresident. I like the fact that "out of staters" have an opportunity to hunt here, as I am hunting in Montana this year as a nonresident, and i feel we all should have the opportunity to explore different areas of the US to hunt\after all we are American citizens and I think some have lost the idea that all this land is ours.\i also feel that the lottery is a good way to restrict those tags, and you should not be guaranteed a license unless you are a state resident.\i also like the opportunity to buy either a statewide or the East River, West River.\i do hunt west river and I live east river, sometimes I do both and others I just use the single tag. I feel like having the option for two gives the state more income...and we all know you like money\IE...finding the need for a third elk contingency drawing every year when harvesting 5 --if they were all successful-- elk in a unit is doing nothing for the grazing pressure or whatever it is you call the need for it, when the same applicants probably gave the state 2 application feels previously for the same tags. \my opinion is you are just lining the budget for GFP...I say just issue more elk tags to start with and the applicants will benefit as opposed to the state</p>
814	<p>You already messed with the rifle tags no reason to mess with our archery tags, isnâ€™t it good revenue for the state, maybe increase the amount on your tags</p>
815	<p>You guys have a great system going. Don't try and recreate the wheel. Leave the Archery Licenses alone.</p>
816	<p>The places I used to bowhunt on public land are overrun by nonresident hunters and I canâ€™t draw a permit to hunt them anymore!!! Canâ€™t figure out why GFP allows unlimited nonresident tags!!!ðŸ˜ˆi</p>
817	<p>Quit providing easier licensing opportunities to out of state hunters! We pay taxes and grew up in South Dakota and you cater to out of state revenue. Respect our states citizens and taxpayers.</p>
818	<p>I like to see archery hunters that do it the right way. Sure do not like to see non resident and resident hunters that can't seem to figure out the boundaries. The crossbow seems to give the older gentleman a little more range so they seem to push the boundaries. They seem to not want to go home without a deer. Thanks Jentry</p>
819	<p>Less tags, or more funds allocated for more public land or access to land locked public lands.</p>
820	<p>Some of the walk-in areas need to be closed to pheasant hunters for a couple of weeks in November prior to the rifle seasons. I have had many many many many many deer hunts interrupted and ruined by inconsiderate out of state pheasant hunters walking through tree lines and other areas when I'm sitting in a ground blind or tree stand.</p>
821	<p>Archery hunters given the option to always purchase an any deer tag and hunt anywhere they desire is unfair given current hunting technologies. The individual should have to choose archery and forfeit being in the firearms first draw depending on which side of the river season they are applying for. I am a small landowner below the âœœmagic 160 acresâœ• yet my habitat helps raise many deer each year, but cannot draw an any deer firearm license in my county once every three years. I am not an archery hunter, but it is crystal clear if you want to ensure an any deer tag every year , hey just get an archery tag, they are unlimited. Residents within counties that own land no matter the acres should be given preference points and hunters no matter the method should have to specifically pick which method they wish to have first draw status spreading the opportunity for any deer tags to more residents each year. The era of two or three any deer licenses per individual has to end.</p>

822	The slim buttes tags should be given to more people the special tag should be good for a week time then more people could get a tag up there
823	One thing I think possibly should be changed is sometime there are archery hunters hunting a private piece of property during the firearms season this should either be shut down during the firearms season fir more safety reasons than anything else, or they should be required to wear orange while in a tree stand. The reason archery hunters trying to conceal themselves in with the surroundings fir obvious reasons but when you have the firearms hunters out there and they are on another piece of property maybe joining up with the private ground or off in the distance and your not going to be able to see them in sitting in the stand. I personally have heard the hiss and whop off a stray bullet hitting the trees. I've hunted out of a round bale hay stack and was perched on top and still had bullets fly and hit the stack from a slob hunter shooting illegally off the road. \\As far as Archery is concerned the SD GFP really needs to allow anyone to use a crossbow to hunt with they are more accurate carry a lot more knock down power resulting in less wounded deer running around that they sometime are never able to retrieve, or end up getting infected from the wound and die a slow miserable death or running around with arrows hanging from it making a bad name for hunters and no one wants an animal to suffer. There technically really is not any difference between the two both require an arrow and broad head, you only get one shot. Most all states you can use a crossbow South Dakota needs to change also. Just my opinions
824	Seems to be working fine. Leave as is with very little changes.
825	I think a state wide archery tag would work best since it covers the entire state. East and West river tags are not necessary.
826	The current structure works fine for me, still see reasonable opportunities to harvest.
827	Make out of staters draw! And charge more!
828	the Non-Resident archery deer hunters in the Black Hills make it very difficult for resident archery elk hunters, many who have waited 15 years or longer to draw that tag, I have witnessed groups of non-resident deer hunters more than a couple, each sitting on different water locations during elk season.. This can and does make it very discouraging to our residents who have paid fees each year (pref points)and put in significant time and money for this coveted tag, only to have a group of 4 or more non-res archery deer hunters each sitting on water sources in an area.
829	My primary concern is the number of nonresident archery mule deer hunters. Please restrict tags and increase cost for nonresidents in alignment with other states. Hunting quality has been impacted due to SD being the free for all that it has become for non-residents.
830	I think if there's too many deer hunters in any areas maybe archery needs to be a drawing lottery like rifle tags
831	Every public land has a non resident vehicle sitting in it. That is why I quit hunting out west river.
832	I'd like to see more public land open for hunting. Don't let the state and counties keep selling off public land. Increased access should be the #1 priority. Furthermore, use these license fees to purchase more land. Not sure how to limit this, but from the podcasts I listen to, there's a lot of "professional" hunters that hunt 5-10+ different states. I'd rather see the guy planning one hunt get that prized Mulie tag than a bunch of TV/social media hunters out on a circuit.
833	It is frustrating to hunt on publice school lands that are rented out to ranchers who drive vehicles on them. The signs read no vehicles beyond this point, but the ranchers or farmers drive on the land. Especially difficult when bow hunting.
834	I feel the current regulations are adequate. Archery hunting is difficult at best and many come to it thinking it will be easy, when the number of actual deer harvested is the factor that needs to be considered.
835	Limit on out of state tags?

836	I hunt all private East River and All public West River. I have been hunting Harding County for over 30 years. In that time I have witnessed a huge increase in Non Resident hunters (I think mainly due to social media). These Non Resident hunters are hunting for 7 days ++ since this is a major vacation for them. They also Rarely leave empty handed and hold out for a few days for a Trophy then shoot a fork horn if all else fails. \The resident hunters like myself that hunt generally go for the weekend and there are far fewer of us that hunt in those areas. This year I did not get my access permit for the Custer national forest. which is frustrating because my son did.\too many of these seasons overlap with multiple hunters in these specific areas.\antelope\elk\archery deer\mentor \\I'm fine with non resident hunters, but they definitely have a large impact on hunting pressure and harvest.
837	Please limit nonresident licenses. It would be worth it even if had to increase the cost of resident licenses by a bit to try to cover part of the difference.
838	The season for archery needs to be shortened. There is no reason for them to harass deer for 5 months.. They wound more deer than they harvest.
839	In my opinion resident hunters and fisherman who have lived here all their lives are starting to take a back seat to high dollar out of stater. I would really like to see more limit on out of state hunting and fishing us local people are being crowded out. I guess its all about money and locals don't matter. I don't know of any of my friends or relatives who feel differently. I am a life long resident, 77 years worth, and it makes me sad to see whats happening.
840	Have unlimited statewide any deer tags for residents and have a draw for nonresident tags.
841	We need to protect game and habitat for SD residents. We will continue to see a rapid acceleration in non resident hunters. To maintain a favorable experience for SD residents, non resident permits need to be restricted.
842	This whole questionnaire is tied to license sales, but what is the success rate of the licenses being sold? If the success rate is equal to 2012 then the state has made more revenue with offering the same number of deer, but if the increase of license sales is proportional to success rate, then there is a concern. If this is about being overpopulated with hunters and someone taking a deer hunting spot, and not about deer population and health, then I feel itâ€™s a civil issue and not a licensing issue. In my opinion, license sales and restrictions should benefit the the animals habitat, health and regulate population, and that should dictate number of license sales. The number of hunters in the field is trivial if the deer are thriving.
843	The season starts to early. Push the start date to a later date and extend the end of the season the same amount
844	The out of state fees should be higher to reflect the states surrounding us. The ones that come now, won't be scared away by slightly higher fees.
845	Nonresident tags should be reduced or eliminated completely before limiting resident tags is ever considered . I have bowhunted other states for many yrs and seen this change, resulting in my inability to get nonresident tags and completely support that change in application process. If necessary i would rather see cost of resident tags increased to make up the lost revenue from nonresident applications.
846	Open up antlerless archery tag to all counties in lieu of only select counties.
847	I think the increase in archery hunters is related to the low success rate for firearms licenses.
848	Put a stricter limit on out of state hunters and tags
849	Allow me to apply for both and receive one eachâ€¦. Statewide any deer and a East or West River Any deer.
850	Over the past years the population of mule deer has declined. I believe this is because across the board more mule deer are being killed by people with any deer tags. The GFP needs to restrict the number of any deer tags to help bring the population back. We also have the cheapest nonresident tags out of all neighboring States. This brings more nonresidents into the State. We need to increase the price because the resident hunters are the ones paying throughout the year to maintain public land and help keep populations in check.
851	Is "Piss off" a curse word?
852	Archery hunting has been excellent for many years. I would like to see more antlerless tags available to hunters with an any deer tag like it used to be years ago when we could get up to 5 antlerless archery tags.

853	As a non resident land owner it is important to be able to hunt my own land. We purchased the land for hunting and I appreciate getting a tag each year.
854	I'm not overly concerned about the number of archery hunters at this time. I would be interested in knowing how many hunters actually filled their tags before adding any restrictions.
855	I am fine with the way the seasons are currently.
856	Yes there is an increase in the number of hunters as stated but are hunters hunting as many days as in previous years? Or do hunters have limited time compared to the previous generations?
857	I believe are state needs to have a draw system for archery deer but I would also think it would be nice if you were to not draw the archery season tag, a person can use there rifle tag to hunt the archery season. If you fill that tag your and you dont hunt the rifle season. With this it should not prohibit you from getting to obtain both licenses. A person should still get to draw both if draw allows. This will give archery hunters the ability to hunt even though they might not draw there archery tag.
858	Stop this madness. Just stop. Please stop. You're making it so difficult for the younger hunters to even want to hunt. So many rules, regulations, changing constantly of units, transportation, limits,etc. please protect the resource of our state for the residents of this state. Look at what Iowa does. It's next to impossible to draw an out of state tag. We need to lift up our residents, not hinder their opportunities. Your changes have made it so I'll never be able to muzzleloader hunt again in this state by the way you now do the drawing system. One of the reasons that bowhunting is becoming more popular is because of how screwed up the system has become by only allowing hunters that use a rifle or muzzleloader to limit their choices on drawings. It's kind of obvious. Lastly, two things. One, before someone gets killed I would suggest you do not allow the discharge of a firearm within 660 feet or the 220 yards from city limits of any town. (You may limit that based on population of towns (say 10k and up as an example). Lastly, change the landowner from 160 down to 100. Thanks for your time. #####
859	Need to issue more doe tags East river the deer are thick
860	Seems like with the increased hunting pressure (increased license sales), Archery hunting tags might have to go to a lottery system - like the firearm season. I would really like to see the quality and quantity of SD deer remain high.
861	Archery deer as it stands is OK. Current limits of access permits helps produce better quality deer which is worth waiting for.
862	Also make it legal for archery sights with built in range finders, every other state allows it i think south dakota should to.
863	I would support one east river and one west river any deer license with the hunter choosing their weapon. If they fill with archery, they are done. If they don't fill archery, it becomes a rifle tag. But only one any deer tag per hunter.
864	Leave is so we can still get an east river and west river. In my opinion some of the east river rifle tags need to be reduced significantly. Sully county being one of them. The deer numbers are extremely down from disease the last couple years. I got trail cams out that I used to get 100s of pictures a week on now only a fraction of that in a week. In my opinion the number of rifle tags should be reduce there are way more deer taken with rifles than a bow also. Just my 2 cents.
865	Pay hunting is the reason residents go to archery. Economic commercialization of our hunting resources is wrecking hunting for residents
866	To many pheasant hunters on public land. It wrecks archery hunting on public ground !!
867	Over the last 10 years, I've personally lost private land access because of non resident archery hunters that were willing to pay big dollars that most residents couldn't match. I think limiting non resident licenses would definitely help that.
868	It's my opinion that there are too many deer in Sioux Falls city limits. Has GFP considered increasing access to more archery hunters versus having police snipers remove the deer?
869	We don't need residents tags limited

870	Please limit non resident tags or set up draw system for them. To many other states around us do not accommodate non residents and neither should we. Lost many properties due to "pay to hunt" set ups. Sad to SD cater to non residents over residents
871	It would be helpful to know the successful harvest percentages for each hunter group while taking the survey. If there are differences in success rates, that should be known and analyzed prior to making any changes.
872	Allow more access to public lands locked by private property!
873	I was born and raised in South Dakota and coming HOME to hunt with my family is near and dear to my heart. My family owns land and in the last 10 years we've spent countless hours improving habitat for wildlife by planting trees and making other improvements. We did this while many farmers were dozing tree groves and breaking up native grass. I recognize I'm a non-resident and hunting in SD is a privilege, but I hope if changes are made there is a way for myself to hunt family land that we've had in our family for generations and worked hard to improve for the benefit of wildlife.
874	The time has come for the state to restrict non-resident hunters even more. Further, public land is battered. Something must be done as it is overrun. The state must stop soliciting out of state hunters and focus on the quality of the habitat and the experience for residents. Raise the prices of licenses if you must, but the amount of pressure on public lands is too much!
875	Leave things as they are. Most residents don't see a problem with the current set up. I can't stress enough that a majority of residents want things left the way they are. There is no need for change!
876	I know out of state hunters bring in revenue but don't think they should have first draw preference over state residents.
877	An area that would take me years to draw for, Minnesota Joe can bow hunt it for four months. The amount of pressure by nonresident hunters has changed the mule deer landscape. I hunt on the Moncor Ranch in Harding County for antelope and the rancher told me he used to have several 200+ inch mule deer out there every year and now he has seen one in about 8 years. He attributes it to all the pressure the area receives from bow hunters, especially those from Minnesota and other states. It's time to get serious about the management of our mule deer herd and management of the amount of nonresident bow hunters. At the very least increase the price to match other western states, but even better, stop worrying so much about the money nonresidents bring into the state on hunting trips and start worrying about conservation. When I bowhunt mules the competition is evident even in remote areas.
878	It doesn't matter what the raw numbers will come back as, your department has a direction you're leaning that's predetermined. This was evidenced by the majority of the test group you polled not wanting the licensing system to change a few years ago, yet you did it anyway.
879	It seems like a lot but not everyone fills their tag every year and plus with the amount of deer that we have right now, it wouldn't hurt to get them thinned out a little more.
880	It should be certain number of tags per unit like the firearm seasons
881	I feel there are to many out of states people that come to hunt
882	Archery licenses should be less than rifle as it used to be. You should lower archery tags back to 25.00. Please do not go to a draw for archery. It is good for those of us that put in all the hard work not to have to go through a draw.
883	Please consider crossbow permits for hunters over 60 years of age
884	Non resident archery licenses should not be an option
885	Take away the land owner license.Or drop the acreage down to 80 which would be right. More deer feed off of my 80 acres year around than a 1000 acres of black dirt. As I do everything I can to help Wildlife survive.
886	way to many non resident archery hunters on public land. I don't go on public land anymore because of this. They don't leave. And what are we as a state getting from this? I see no benefit. It is our land, no theirs. Thanks

887	Taking a deer with a bow is extremely difficult and rewarding. Anyone complaining about bow hunters obviously doesn't know anything about it. There aren't any bow hunters road hunting or chasing down deer with vehicles. 35 years of bow hunting has taught me a lot and I find that as a group they're very ethical and good stewards. How about encouraging archery hunting instead of limiting opportunities. Thank you, Travis.
888	The number of archery deer licenses given needs to be figured into the total amount of deer licenses given each year, so if we are giving out more archery deer licenses we need to reduce more rifle deer licenses. \\The nonresident licenses given each year should be the first to be reduced before the South Dakota Resident opportunities are reduced.
889	Raise the price of non resident tags and limit the number of non resident tags available.
890	in my area it is mostly out of state hunters on the public ground here
891	You have to restrict the non resident license. If you need to make up the cost differential increase resident tag fee's. The resource is crumbling. The pressure is to vast.
892	Limit non residents not tax paying residents.\\When you go to other states to hunt mule deer or antelope non residents are limited.
893	Archery hunters should not have a separate season. They can hunt the regular firearm season with everyone else, through the same drawing process. They don't need to in the field making the critters wild and making it harder for the rifle hunters. Also, there should be no east river tags to non-residents for rifle or archery tags, same as it is for rifle season. The statewide tags should be eliminated altogether.
894	Need to increase prices for non resident and put limit on number of tags for both whitetail and mule deer
895	This comment already says "effed" so I left it alone
896	The GF&P has always favored the out-of-state hunters or fishermen.
897	I believe the amount of people claiming a disability so they can shoot crossbows is\\not being monitored very well. Way too easy to get.
898	If you're going to allow so many non resident licenses, raise the price to fund more conservation efforts
899	Stop changing things. You are making hunters angry across the board.
900	Rifle hunting on public land has really gone downhill fast since the word has gotten out to nonresidents about unlimited archery tags in SD. It has affected my quality deer hunting and antelope hunting out west immensely!! Everything is blown off public land before rifle season starts and normally it takes a couple years of waiting to get the tag. Limit non resident now before it's too late and limit residents some with one statewide tag.
901	I like system they way it is however I feel residents should have priority over big game in state. I feel to more out of state are buying or leasing land reducing residents opportunities and pushing them to same hunting areas.
902	unlimited tags need to stop, even archery, especially non-resident. need to apply for units for all archery tags. must get mule deer population up. dogs for Mt lions would help.
903	Need to work harder to protect mule deer, particularly does and immature bucks especially the young 4 and 5 points that have the potential to improve our herd genetics
904	No comment
905	If we have excessive pressure issues, limiting nonresident tags and access permits should be the 1st option. Resident tags should not be limited unless deer population surveys deem it necessary to manage the herd.
906	The less hunters the better the hunt and opportunities
907	I'm not sure how accurate this survey will be based on the fact that we answered questions without actually knowing the numbers other than overall totals.
908	Start putting people with a good common sense and communicate to you biologist about nature grasses and food plot. Multi species food plots.
909	Nonresident license should limited.

910	We are getting the NR pressure because we have a lot of public land and our NR tags are easy to get and inexpensive. SD is regularly known as the most cost effective DIY option for trophy mule deer. I'm not sure that's a good thing. The SD sportsmen gets pounded by application fees and tag prices if we hunt in other states, we need to do the same in SD to push more of the financial burden to NR hunters. Get this right please and stop listening to the large landowners and pheasant operations that want these tags to be unlimited and cheap to add on to other hunts that the NR is already coming to SD to do.
911	WHY DO YOU NEED TO KEEP CHANGING EVERYTHING? Let the Hunters hunt instead of limiting to a tag every other year or every 3 years, Us at a state should worry about the residents instead of the out of state hunters for deer.
912	I believe there should be access permits for archery hunting in more locations to help manage the public deer population statewide and allow opportunities for a less dense hunting experience if drawing an access permit. Also these areas should either require an access permit for firearms as well or no firearm harvests. I know taking my children hunting with me on public land has gotten more and more stressful as the public lands are hunted harder and harder with the fear my child may be mistaken for a deer as we move through the occupied woods.
913	Why mess with the seasons? Leave them the way they are. We do have too many non- resident archery hunters. Why not raise their price and limit them as some are guiding and have outfitting business in our state when they don't even live here.
914	I see more out of state plates at public land out west than resident. That pisses me off
915	The people who complain about too many people out hunting are the same people who only hunt one or two places in high traffic areas or big cities. If they would go to a different area or more than half a mile from the road they would see more deer and less hunters. So there is no reason for GFP to restructure the current archery system unless they want to charge even more money to the fewer numbers of hunters they get on a yearly basis.
916	It appears you are moving in the right direction with archery; In the past I would hunt every archery season, however over the last 10 to 15 years it has become almost impossible to do on public land, so I have stopped hunting archery based on the number of archery hunters setting up tree stands on every location I used to hunt. I have seen a single hunter set up 12 different tree stands on public land making it impossible to find any other location to put up any additional hunter stands. It may be a good idea to require archers on public land to remove their stand within 24 hours of hunting it or drag it in and drag it out for each hunt unless they are disabled. Just an idea for thought. Thank you for your time and attention and keep up the good work.
917	Nonresident should be a draw status with a max of 1 tag regardless of season and increase fees.
918	Please focus on preserving the hunting opportunities for in State residents and provide less opportunities for non-residents. Look at other neighboring States resident and non-resident opportunities and you will see South Dakota caters more to non-residents than those States.
919	Whatever decision is made on this issue it will be important to offer license options to landowner/operators on their property regardless of the property location.
920	Your doing a good job. It would be nice to be able to apply for 4 rifle deer so we could add in muzzleloader deer as well.
921	I like being able to hunt every year with my bow. It helps with not getting a gun tag some years. Archery takes more time and effort so it should be unlimited.
922	With the lowered poundage requirement we should look at restricting crossbows. Anyone can get a Dr to sign off on a crossbow permission. \Increase the tag cost for nonresident hunters. If people want to come and hunt here they should pay a fair price for that, SD does not need to be a value hunt. When I buy a tag in Montana it is not cheap, I still go.
923	Please do not limit the ability to have both an east river and west river tag. I love getting both tags and having the ability to hunt each side of the state. Completely different kind of hunt. South Dakota provides the best of both worlds here.

924	We need to keep the resident license the same. If your going to take license away then take them away from nonresidents. We don't need to keep making changes so the big hunting lodges keep getting more license and making more money.
925	Possibility of more than one antlerless archery tag for residents.
926	1 license per person for an antlered deer seems fair. It is the only guaranteed tag that a hunter can still get after all. If you wanted to make it more complicated, could have mule deer separated from whitetail
927	I think we should be able obtain more anterless deer tags I can apply for up to 5 doe tags with riffle and only one doe tag with my bow I donâ€™t understand this reasoning!
928	Just like walleye fishing the out of staters need to only hunt here when there seasons are open in there state.
929	I dont think, in general, archery hunters are an issue. rifle deer hunters continue to be the only ones that i have problems with, and that seems to be getting worse.
930	I was out in Harding county opening weekend and havenâ€™t seen such a circus with the number of hunters. With that there were a few unpleasant conversations over where they hunt on public between hunters. Also with that most of the deer moved out of public area onto private land. In by opinion way way to many people hunting public land. I bowhunted out west since the late 70â€™s and with the amount of people hunting public is crazy and now seems every land owner is a guide or leases to a guy that is a outfitter. This year I saw a few ranch hands riding horses in the CNF trying to move deer out of the public into private
931	Increase the price for out of state tags and allocate addition funds to purchasing more public lands.
932	in our area the tribal hunting takes most of the mature buck before our rifle season and mostly during archery season i think we need to work together with tribal entities we do not have the deer population we once had too much disease
933	It would be nice to know the number of Deer harvested by archery VS Riffle. Maybe fewer riffle tags and maybe the archery tag increases wouldn't be an issue. One reason more archery hunters are getting tags is to have hunts that aren't over 2 week time when 10s of thousands of people are hunting. The great thing about archery is the length of the season
934	Maintaining or increasing wildlife & hunting area is paramount over the increase in private/corporate development of private land, river and riparian and NPS land along the MNRR. Recreational does not allow such development. Thanks for asking.
935	It would be nice to see more crops on public ground to attract more game. Past few years the game leaves public ground for crop fields.
936	Nonresident archery hunters are way to many and out of control both antelope and deer. Nonresident archery should be the same as nonresident deer license, to include the numbers by units.
937	Personally I started archery hunting solely due to the fact that I never get drawn for a rifle tag in the county that I hunt in. I absolutely hate the fact that the application deadline for east river rifle was moved so early into the year. Maybe the increase in archery hunters is due to the huge limitation in rifle tags over the last 5+ years.
938	State parks areas should close to other activities to park areas that are open to bow hunting for 1-2 months. Say Oct.-Nov. closed to all activities except bow hunting. Of course this would be only in specific state park areas such as Richmond forest area. But continue to keep open the disc golf area and picnic area but close off the trails for that time period to non hunters. It would be safer in these areas as well as more productive. I would also like to see box blinds put up in limited draw refuge areas. Example if there are 20 tags for sand lake each rifle season. Put up 20 designated box blinds for an any deer refuge draw that are #1-20 if you draw 1 your in #1 for your season and so on. If a hunter does like his # he still has option to ground hunt as desires. This would make refuge hunting way more accessible for everyone and limit people interrupting others as well as increased success and make it more reasonable for others with less physical abilities to enjoy!
939	Wish GFP would reconsider range finding sights like the Garman Xero it combines ranging and sights in one and I think would result in fewer wounded animals if hunters would use them ! They are expensive so most hunters wouldnâ€™t go for them anyway !
940	There really is no reason for non-resident archery deer tags

941	Stop trying to fix something that isn't broke. How many people actually fill there archery tags? Less than half? More money for the state.
942	Don't change anything.
943	Expand hunting opportunities, continue to increase hunting and recreational opportunities
944	It is WAY too easy for an out of state person to obtain an archery license allowing them to get around the restrictive rifle season for them, The numbers of out of state archery deer hunters needs to be GREATLY reduced!!!!
945	Limit non residents to antlerless deer. And limit numer of resident licences.
946	Strong concern with the non resident targeting of mule deer bucks. Happy to have a non resident program but it cannot be as lenient and cheap as it is. Recommend adoption of North Dakota or similar program where any deer tags for non resident are a limit / draw, and make them 150%-200% more expensive. Thanks for the consideration!
947	Last year is when I ran into the most other hunters on private land. Also I have noticed a lot of the time no one is marking their stands correctly on public or even marking them at all. And many years they have not been taken down.
948	Don't mess with something that works. I have been archery hunting for 45 years. The new generation watches to many hunting shows where they only shoot big bucks. They buy the best equipment every year. Put out cameras and bait the deer.
949	When I go out of state and purchase a big game tag the prices are outrageous, compared to our out of state tag prices. This needs to increase for all big game tags.
950	Many SD residents live here largely for the hunting and fishing opportunities. There are huge differences between archery and rifle hunting techniques to have and enjoyable and successful outcome. The number of hunters on a body of land for archery hunting should be much less than what would be allowed for firearm hunting. Non-Resident\tags should be restricted!
951	There are way too many tags given out which is eroding the experience for everyone. And who needs to be hunting deer in September.
952	I hunt only on private ground right now. I only hunt East River whitetails. That's why I made no comments regarding to mule deer or hunting on public grounds. If it comes to a situation where there are too many archery hunters, my preferences would be to severely limit the number of non-resident tags and increase the price substantially. Do not allow any non-resident hunting in the top five archery counties. If necessary have the hunters decide if they want an East River or West River tag and only can apply for one. If that is not enough, have hunters decide on what weapon of choice they would like to use. In other words I would have be able to apply and receive an East River archery deer tag, but would not be able to apply for any other deer tag no matter what the weapon of use would be. The same would be true for rifle hunters if tags became an issue. They would be only able to apply for a rifle tag and not be able to archery hunt. The same would be true with muzzleloaders. If you have any questions, feel free to call me. I have been archery hunting since 1987. #####
953	Higher fees for nonresidents
954	We should reduce the non resident archery licenses. We have plenty of non resident usage of our game resources through fishing and pheasant hunting which is good and appropriate economically. We donâ€™t need the revenue and complications from more non resident archery hunters.
955	Need handicapped accessible sites.
956	I hunt mostly public in Lyman County for the past 15 years and have rarely run into local residents archery hunting. However the Non-resident has exploded over this time period. I feel the need to limit the number of Non-residents is the correct action or make the tag worth the price and up it to \$500+. I regularly hear from the Non-Res that the GFP in SD is "Dumb" to have such low archery deer tag prices....huge missed opportunity for the state. SD has Quality Deer, act like your proud of these great animals and up the price, this will organically lower the Non-Resident applications and yet keep the Income. Be More Like Iowa and Less Like North Dakota

957	I've lived in this great state all my life for 33 years. I always hunt every year and use to be able to rifle hunt deer every year as well until the last few years. It's very frustrating when you see Minnesota plates running all over your county rifle hunting and you can't even hunt in your own county but every other year by buying a preference point. With that being said, if you take anything away from the archery draw that will be detrimental to several people in the same position as myself. Due to only drawing a east river rifle tag every other year I always make use of both an east river archery tag as well as a west river archery tag. My father lives west river and we have started hunting together in the recent years and by eliminating anything from the archery program as it stands currently will end the hunting with my father as I will have to choose between hunting my county east river or going west river to hunt. The way the archery system is set up currently is absolutely the way it should be left and left alone for many many years to come. We have already lost enough hunting opportunities due to the restructure of the draws so we as South Dakota hunters do not need to lose even more.
958	the season needs to go back to the old season opener and if you want a velvet then have a season for it., and quit all of our resources away to the out of state hunters , fishermen ect .. if there isnt enough pheasants around then quit letting the out of staters come in. we live here we pay taxes , we own property, you give away our hunting to out of state people. let us have a three weeks in state hunting, and then open it up to out of staters,, thanks
959	Allow for full crossbow use for archery to allow younger and older hunters to participate.
960	I feel the number of non-resident hunters on public land is far too high. Some sort of limit needs to be placed on the tags that can be given to them before it gets out of control. We have an opportunity to manage for quality deer hunting in our state but in order to do that, we have to limit pressure to the animals.
961	I don't understand why more limits are not put on archery licenses given the large increase in archery hunters. The SDGFP is behind in responding to the number of archery licenses. No reason why the archery hunter should be given any advantage over the gun hunter.
962	I believe you are managing the program very well. I enjoy my time in the country and listening to the sounds of the wildlife coming alive. The program is great so don't let anyone mess it up!
963	do not change it
964	We don't need to turn archery deer hunting into a lottery. You people can't manage the rifle lottery worth a damn. Figure out why you can't catch a walleye in Lake page but people on sakawkawia are limiting on a daily basis.
965	If we continue to allow an increase in out of state deer hunters our deer hunting will go the way of pheasant hunting. You will pay an exorbitant amount of money for the right to access any private land and our public land will be overrun with hunters that can't afford to pay.
966	I think non resident tags should increase to similar value as surrounding states
967	Common sense would lead one to believe areas of public access with increased hunter density should correlate with the areas with higher deer density as well. I believe this is a fair trade off for hunters to understand when planning their hunts. As the department continues to invest in finding solutions in the R3 arena, limiting opportunities for archery hunters could have a negative impact. Archery hunting is great for recruitment of ethical hunters, and the current system of allowing hunters an archery tag every year is great for hunter retention keeping them invested in the outdoors every year.
968	I wish to say that the normal rifle season is getting wrecked by you allowing archery, youth and mentored hunting before the rifle season opens..... for us regular hunters that have been hunting for many years and now to find that all the land has been previously disturbed before we get a chance to take part in the sport. Not only that, just like the wrecked bow hunting because people typically hunt questionably, so now do the mentored and youth hunters. I guess traditional hunting has gone out the window so GF&P can sell more tags.
969	Want the unlimited East river deer rifle tags again and limit some other tags

970	I spend a great deal of time in the woods from Sept 1st to The end of the year on public and some private land. I enjoy watching the deer in my hunting areas before actually taking one. It is really hard to get onto private land the last few years. A lot of landowners want to lease hunting like they do for pheasant seasons.
971	I love archery deer hunting.
972	Make archery doe tags available in Turner county, plenty of them around.
973	A person should be able to draw for the limited access permit prior to having to buy a tag for that unit. In most cases if a person doesn't even draw the permit they may not even go hunting and it is over inflating the number of archery hunters. \\The draw should be set up to automatically purchase a license of your choice either a statewide or west river archery license upon a success draw of the access permit.
974	Perhaps put limits on tags like there are for rifle hunting.\\I don't archery hunt, so I'm not familiar with that season. I don't have a problem with out-of-stators coming here to hunt even though it would be nice to see residents get first crack at licenses. However, if residents aren't applying for licenses in higher numbers like they used to then it's not a bad thing to have non residents get the licenses if the interest has declined with residents.
975	Non-residents are targeting Mule deer specifically, and they are proving to be very good at harvesting mule deer bucks. Limited Non-resident tags is the best option.
976	More archery hunters is because of the mixed up change to the draw system a few years ago! Disappointed in the new system!\\In addition, I live in Beadle Co. There are no carcass disposal sites within a hour drive.
977	Put the season start back to the last weekend in September. I believe starting the season early just to appease hunters who want a velvet trophy is sending the wrong message to young hunters about the purpose of the sport. Itâ€™s not about wall hangers its supposed to be about conservation and putting some food on the table. There is no reason for the extension of the archery season or the firearm seasons other than to appease a trend.
978	I sit and wait for deer, both archery and rifle. I do see a lot of people driving around. I hunt mainly...probably 99% private land and have private land I have hunted for years! I live in a larger community and do need to drive 20+miles to where I hunt.
979	nonresident archery is getting out of hand increase the price and drop the numbers. As an archery hunter since 1979 the price for resident tags and all tags has gotten to high. The gfp needs to spend less money on Biologigists and Studies that an average person can figure out and manage. The outdoors has turned into a money gab by the state
980	Non-resident unlimited tags are unheard of in other states. Additionally the cost of those tags is undervalued. When I apply for opportunities in other states the preference point needed for those sates and the cost is significantly higher than our current structure. I believe we need to charge more and restrict more in regards to non-resident to improve hunting opportunities for all. We currently have a cap on non residents west river rifle. East river deer rifle opportunities are essentially non existent. The demand out weighs the opportunities east river. As a lifelong resident and outdoorsman I believe we should have some advantage living and paying taxes here. Even if that entails higher fees to offset the lost revenue from some nonresident hunting revenues.
981	For me, the biggest issue with deer hunting in general is access to private land. Public land is either not suited for deer hunting, or is over hunted due to deer hunting, pheasant hunting, waterfowl hunting, etc. Specifically regarding archery hunting, I live in the Watertown area, and there seems to be a very large concentration of archery deer hunters, but what I find is there is a big issue with "legacy hunters" who have secured hunting permission years ago from land owners, and then eventually give up archery hunting and the landowner still sets their land aside for that person(s), when in actuality no hunting is occurring.\\The use of public land for whitetail hunting is different for public land used for mule deer hunting because of the characteristics of the species. Therefore most public land in eastern SD is not a good fit for archery hunters because it is not suited for whitetail deer, or because there is unlimited access to these lands. Hunters most often need to place deer stands in locations established for deer movement, and having multiple hunters in an area that are not directly hunting together does not work. IMO, all public land used for archery hunting should have access day passes similar to those I have hunted in western SD for mule deer. I think you would get more use of public land if this was done.

982	none
983	I would like to see more access permit areas throughout the state to help control hunter densities.
984	Keep trying to add to the public hunting areas in brown county. Try and get us back to installing stands in sand lake before seasons start
985	Have the harvest numbers increased proportionally? I believe more people are going to archery because they want to hunt every year!
986	There is a big need for more private land owners to allow archery hunting. Most of them complain about the damage that deer do to crops trees and fences but when asked will not allow you to hunt.
987	South Dakota needs to set a quota of nonresident archery deer tags. Our mule deer numbers and quality has fallen off a cliff. If the state continues to allow this to continue our herds will never recover. Public land is over hunted, over grazed, and lacks quality habitat. Starting with limiting nonresident hunters is the first step. Unfortunately more drastic measures need to take place.
988	I was fortunate enough to draw a limited draw rifle tag fo the Ft.. Pierre national grasslands last year. I was greeted the day before by numerous archery hunters. Two that told stories of deer they had wounded, which is not surprising because the terrain make unethical shots likely . The next morning the first big buck I ran into was a whitetail with an arrow hole high and back just as the hunter the day before described. The deer acted as though it was not hit but the wound look like it would probably be fatal. I did the ethical thing and used my 9 years preference it took to draw an any deer tag to shoot a white tail that had been shot by an archery hunter the day before the season. I won't be purchasing preferences for this season again until limited access to archery is enforced.
989	Would agree to just ONE state wide archery permit for either whitetail or mule deer and do away with West/East river permits.
990	I wonder if the increase of Archery hunters is due to the fact you made it more difficult for rifle hunters when you made the license draw changes a few years ago. I would like to see the actual numbers from that time to now and not random numbers from 10 years ago. Also what is the actual percentage of filled archery tags since it requires different skills than rifle hunting? What are the numbers of repeat archery hunters, I suspect some people might say shoot get an archery tag and realize it is much more difficult than it seems? These numbers may make changes a mute point. One of the nicest things about archery is there really isn't much other hunting pressure at the same time and it is peaceful.

After moving the archery opener to 9/1, SD has become much more desirable to NR archery hunters, as well as resident archery hunters (to hunt earlier), because both groups want the opportunity harvest a mule deer in velvet (and some people want to harvest a whitetail buck in velvet too). The problem is that when we keep making it easier for the hunter with advancements in archery technology, with cell trail cameras, allowing us to hunt them earlier and longer in a very patternable time at the beginning of September before they strip velvet in summer patterns, and allowing archers to hunt 4 months now instead of just 3, it is going to keep increasing harvest rates on bucks or at least add more pressure on them. Filling my archery tag has become more of a guarantee for me than filling my rifle tag over the last 5-10 years to be honest. \\The season date moving to 9/1 has resulted in much more pressure on public lands in the western half of the state, especially by NR archers when looking at it proportionally. This, along with the new deer draw system making it harder for the more die-hard resident deer hunters to draw multiple buck tags, it has made archery more popular here in SD too (get into archery if you can't hunt where you want with your firearm) and ultimately more pressure and overcrowding on many parcels of public land out west. It's about hunting pressure and quality of the hunting experience. \\The ratio of mule deer bucks harvested by NRs is way too high compared to residents though too. I am not opposed to NR hunters as I like to travel to Colorado and Wyoming to hunt deer as well as building up points to hunt deer in Utah but with the opportunity we have with the resource in South Dakota I don't feel that it is fair to residents or reasonable to give NR archery hunters unlimited archery tags every year, especially ones for public land access. For the deer tags I have had in Wyoming and Colorado I have had to wait 5 to 10 years over several draws as a NR to those states, and I have about 15 points in Utah right now before I draw the tag I want that will take me about 20 points. I know those states might have a little higher quality of mule deer on average, but not everywhere as South Dakota has some great opportunities and trophies for the ease of access to public land and the more mild terrain we have; simply getting an archery any deer tag every year without any draw for a NR hunter it's not reasonable or sustainable as the popularity of archery has increased in SD for the handful of reasons mentioned above. Maybe it isn't statistically significant to our deer herd (mule deer seem to be more fragile and limited though) but it is the QUALITY of the hunt that continues to go down for hunters that have no other option but to hunt public land. This goes through for both resident archery hunters as well as resident rifle hunters who now have much more pressure on the public land before they even can hunt during rifle season and less deer to pick from and more deer that are scared away from even more pressure for more months and more hunters in September, October, and early November before they are even allowed to hunt with their rifle. \\Overall, I don't think that NR hunting on private land is really much of an issue, it just needs to be cut back significantly on public land. If NRs to other states can wait 2-10 years to draw a tag then it is reasonable for NRs to do so here too, or at least a couple years to wait, otherwise we create a vacuum of pressure from NRs all across the country to compete with our resident hunters that might not have the option to do the same in an adjacent state. \\Also, I don't think significantly taking away opportunities from resident archery hunters is appropriate to do at the same time as cutting NR tags just to keep it balanced from both groups. I don't think if you take something away from one group you have to also take it away from the other. We are residents to this state and should have advantages over NRs. It seems though that the GFP is looking to make residents also pay the price for cutting back on NR hunting pressure on SD public land and I think that is greatly miscalculated and not reasonable. \\However if you want to try fix several things at once, and have to look at both NR and resident archery groups, I would suggest doing few things if any changes are going to be made:\\1. Limit NR archery hunter tags to a draw and make a small portion of the tags any deer and a larger portion of them whitetail deer only. \\2. After cutting the amount of tags in Item 1 to NR hunters, offer SOME (not many) special buck private land archery tags that would allow them to hunt private land only that would help outfitters and would not have a significant biological impact to the our mule deer herd nor would pressure our public land for resident archers and resident rifle hunters.\\3a. Move the archery season back to the end of September like used to be about 5 years ago and possibly allow a drawing for a special early season for a very limited amount of resident and NR archery hunters that would allow a few hundred resident archers, and maybe a dozens NR archers, to hunt September 1st. This would take more pressure off public land out west and would make it a little bit more of a level playing field for bucks in velvet in that vulnerable time of the year. It would become a very desirable and fun tag to draw but not be guaranteed, similar to some access permits. \\3b. Instead of 3a, split the archery season in chunks of dates or maybe just in half and have draws for early archery and late archery to spread out hunting pressure more evenly across public land. If we have 25,000 resident archers now, offer 1,000 archery tags for September, offer 10,000 tags for October, and offer 10,000 tags for November, and 5,000 tags for December. Then people would have to choose if they wanted to hunt a mule

deer buck in velvet on September 1 or a mule deer or whitetail during the rut in early November. This would spread out pressure a little bit naturally. \Or have 5,000-10,000 tags for 9/1-10/15 and 15,000-20,000 tags for 10/16 to 12/31. Many archery hunters donâ€™t want to hunt when itâ€™s hot and mosquitoes are out in September but they feel obligated because other people are out there getting first crack at them and that would reward the more of the traditional archery hunters by not allowing the early season hunters to hunt and pressure the public land at the same time if they already had their early opportunity. Then if you donâ€™t want to hunt in September, you know there will only be half of the pressure in October or November when you are out there. That seems fair? It is the same amount of archery tags sold as well and it would somewhat make it a hybrid draw where itâ€™s limited but residents would still have an archery tag in the fall, it just might be earlier or later. Of course if the later draw was sold out there would be upset traditional archery hunters that have to hunt early so maybe offer the early-season to a limited group and everyone else could hunt later in October and November, but if you decided to hunt in September you gave up your chance to hunt in November. \Thank you for taking the time to read this!\#####

992	I would like to see no change to the current system in place!
993	There is definitely too many archery licenses in all catagories. There should NEVER \be an unlimited amout of licenses in any season! With the newer equipment. archers use, especially crossbows. We simply are killing too many deer!! Maybe increase the fees too!!
994	Please do not mess with archery. I love being able to essentially hunt anywhere in the state. I can hunt east river in my trees or if I like I can make a trip to the black hills and do some stalking. Right now I donâ€™t have to decide, if Iâ€™m out in the hills for a weekend I can throw the bow in. It is one of the last great things about hunting in South Dakota.
995	As the efficiency of archery hunters increases, they should be subject to the same limited draws as rifle hunters.
996	With the increase in archery tags being sold, Iâ€™d like to see a reduction in tags available for non residents but not restrict archery opportunities for residents. I do like the permits for the four areas and would like to see that continue
997	If South Dakota decided to legalize the use of the crossbow, we would have more archery hunters and then you would have a huge problem
998	We should restrict non resident licenses before we impose restrictions on resident licenses.
999	Public land loaded with out of state hunters
1000	Doing a good job!

1001	Need to remove some of the non resident tags. They are killing to many non mature deer just so they can bring meat home. Non residents should have to draw. There are not to many states where it is just a guarantee to go every year.
1002	Need to shorten the season. Starts way too early in the year.
1003	Reduce archery hunters by only allowing one buck license per hunter per year. You either archery hunt or you rifle hunt. Too many idiot unethical uneducated archers out there. I have to work for access the private lands I hunt. Hunting used to be fun and free now everyone wants money to access land. The day I have to pay to hunt is the day I stop hunting.
1004	Any public lands that are land locked and cannot be legally accessed should automatically become a wildlife PRESERVE ! We have landowners that boarder these properties that are using them as there own private hunting preserve and not allowing others access . This is wrong ! Public lands should be accessible for all or none !
1005	Lets see now !! You have totally screwed up the East and West river deer applications your limited to either not applying for west river and putting in for only east river deer and one of the sand lake units our muzzleloader deer. And now we have to draw for left over tags!! What idiot has changed are deer hunting license's and now I'm sure you'll screw this up TOO !!
1006	You have a good thing going with resident tags. Let non residents hunt the same dates as residents instead of increasing tag availability or making less available.
1007	Personally and logically I don't understand the purpose of this survey. The goal of SD gfp for the past 5 years at least as been to get more licenses sold. This goal has been repeated and publically stated. Now we have more licenses sold and the state pops a survey about restricting license sales. As an outdoorsman, this survey is confusing to me as what the objective is. \\I believe SD GFP needs to not look so closesly to the license sales but look more closely to the actual harvested data or projected harvest data. When I look at that data, we are actually killing less deer with more tag sales. So why is that a problem? \\I propose mandatory reporting of your season results. Did you harvest a deer or not. The state needs this data. If you don't provide this data then you are ineligibile for a tag the following year. Get serious about real data and less serious on opinions and feelings. Follow the data and it will show you what needs to be done. \\Another option for getting pressure off public lands from both resident and non resident is to work with landowners and allow us access to all the non-accessible public land. Millions of acres of public land in SD that we can not hunt. The state doesn't seem to do anything about it. In fact, the state has allowed Ryan Bruns to proceed with infrastructure and development of solar and wind farms on all School of Public Trust lands. Many of these lands are inaccessible for hunters. So it would be nice to see work done here with regards to negotiations for access. If we can negotiate access for construction and infrastrure development for 8-10 years then we can figure out how we can open public land to the public. \\I get 3 archery tags, 2-3 rifle tags, 1 muzzleloader tag every year. I hunt public and private both east and west river. I have never had a problem finding mature mule deer and whitetail deer. Do I see more pressure, sure. Is it too much, not even close. The data says the average archery hunter hunts 10 days or less. The season is 123 days long. That is less than 10% of the season the majority of archery hunters are in the field. \\Focus more on habitat\\Open access to current public land\\If we are concerned about hunting pressure on public land then we need to focus on the rifle season. Where i feel is currently over pressured; especially west river. So much orange, I dont even feel safe on opening weekend. \\If we are concerned about animals being killed at too high of a rate then again we need to look at data and address the rifle seasons. 80+% of the deer killed in SD are killed with a rifle. \\Keep selling tags (revenue is much needed)
1008	I feel we need to restrict the number of out of State archery hunters as I feel they are taking away from the local people that get turned down each year that are applying for their local county. Also I hear people feel that the State wants the extra money from out of State hunters compared to what a local lic. would cost. How about keeping South Dakota first. I own and rent a lot of acres and try to give as much of my property to let locals hunt . We have a problem with out of State MINN. hunters that like to hunt my fence lines and sneek in to archery hunt without permission. .
1009	Limit out of state hunters before resident licenses.
1010	Do not allow non-resident archery hunters.

1011	I don't have any perfect ideas I just know when I head out hunting in public areas that I was never bothered before and now have out of state people that have the balls to sit in my stand with all the right sign and info on it it gets a little tiring. I know it's public land but when some one dose not have any hunting edict in my opinion come and set right next to you while your in the tree it gets to be a little crazy and you get to the road and it's a out of stater it is infuriating
1012	I mostly see out of state archery hunters here on public land. They take the larger bucks off before state hunters get a chance. I feel it should be a limited draw for any deer. More antlerless tags. Have specific areas like rifle.it can be larger than a county.
1013	Leave the residents alone and make it a lottery draw for nonresident like every other state around here. Look into our neighboring states and what the nonresident has to pay for a license and the years it takes to get a tag and the quality of animals they have.
1014	Some archery hunters go overboard with getting tags and land/opportunities to hunt. Their over the top approach to the season makes it more difficult for the average archery hunter to have a good time/hunt...
1015	The "Any Deer" licenses should be replaced with "buck only" for unlimited tags, especially on public land. Many public areas don't need mule deer does shot. I have seen several instances where nonresidents have taken a mule doe just to "take something home" on the last day.\\"Any Deer" could still be allowed on private, non-public areas.\We are the closest state west that offers mule Deer hunting. I hunt other states and end up paying double what nonresident in South dakota do by the time I buy the mandatory small game license.\As a resident, I love the opportunity to hunt all of September without interference from nonresident hunters. It truly has made it the best hunt in the country for me.\Butte and harding counties should have limited access for nonresident. They quickly overrun the areas there in october. This should also be implemented for archery antelope.
1016	The desire to grow income from out of state hunters is noble, but archery is one sport that generally provides resident hunters of lower means an opportunity.
1017	Any sd resident should be able to get a tag at any time. I would cut back on nonresident and increase the price of the tag significantly. Reason for this is many sd residents don't have many spots to hunt and decreasing nonresident gives them a better opportunity to harvest an animal. I see many younger kids in sd taking up this activity and we need to keep them interested and excited to hunt here.
1018	Keep it how it is as I have never run into issues bow hunting
1019	There needs to be limit to the number of nonresident archery licenses issued. Something similar to rifle with 8% maximum of previous years total archery licenses sold. And make nonresidents pay a higher application fee or preference point purchase fee. \$50-100 would be competitive with other states. This unlimited nonresident archery licenses has got to stop. The pressure on public land and walk in areas is unbelievable and not sustainable. Thank you for allowing us to comment.
1020	I think we should go back to allowing resident archery hunters to purchase more than one antlerless tag.
1021	You guys have really messed up the process and availability for rifle hunting. I have been extremely disappointed in that change and hate the new application process even more. I sure hope that you aren't going to mess up archery hunting for my sons and I as well. I keep hearing that hunter numbers (nation wide) is dropping and I see the push to get more hunters in the field. Your changes have made it very difficult to hunt in the ways that I grew up and treasured. I have often thought that SDG,F,&P has gotten a bad rap from land owners and environmentalist. Now I feel like you guys are trying to make it difficult for big game hunters to enjoy this sport annually. It appears to be something that my family can only enjoy every other year. You truly are trying to fix something that isn't broken.
1022	Although I have never been and archery hunter, I really respect them as true hunters that do not create problems with ag landowners like me. anything we can do to encourage participation especially with the young should be done.
1023	Antelope should be considered. 8% license allocation should be considered.
1024	Sefma rules
1025	Keep archery deer hunting in South Dakota mostly for residents and do not allow many nonresident hunters.

1026	I feel that the mentor hunts are taking to many deer and antelope. These hunts harvest does and has hurt animal numbers. I also believe these tags get abused. Dads /moms sending in there kids for these tags and the kids may have no interest but a way to get an animal. Mentor tags may have to become limited draw as well
1027	The gfp give out to many tages when it comes to any bow or rifle and even black powder season resident or none resident. For all big game tags. I know a large number of hunters we hunt in units all over the state every year. We all fill the same there are lower numbers of big game all across the state the last few years 5 to 7. Our group age range is from 37 to 52 years old we would all like to see the state drop the tage count for all dig game licenses buy 1/3 or more for all big game even land owner tags.
1028	Archery hunters need to have a quota system just like the rifle season. Also if you want to archery hunt then be an archer, no rifle tag for that person.
1029	Restrictions should be applied to non residents only
1030	in alot of places there are to meeny deer farmers feed them all year let the hunter hunt get the youth involed
1031	People are complaining about 35,000 total hunters state wide?! Give me a break that is not very many at all for the square miles of the state. All itâ€™s going to do is restrict people more and being able to get a tag every year to bow hunt is awesome and the chances for doing that are getting fewer and fewer.
1032	More public land would resolve a lot of the issues.\Access routes to BLM that currently have no access would be a good start. Increasing CREP and Walk-in areas across the state would help all hunters. Additionally, expanding the corps ground in places along the river would be amazing.\It's a little frustrating because tourism and GFP want more hunters and now that those numbers are going up, there's surprise that things are crowded? limiting licenses or favoring private land hunters will just increase frustration and make access exclusive. Creating more hurdles and subseasons will eventually make things so convoluted we'll look like Illinois. Please, please, please keep encouraging public hunting through access to crep, walkin, etc. Expanding public access is the way to go!
1033	Archery hunters can get too many licenses--and most of them do not even own any land. An archery hunter can get any any deer license every year and also has a chance of getting any any deer rifle license---and they may not own any land. \I am a land owner and like many land owners my land supports many deer. They do quite a bit of damage to corn and soybean feeds. Like many land owners, I do not archery hunt (don't have the time) and therefore can only get one any deer license. Have tried to get muzzleloader license for many years, but have been unsuccessful. I THINK THAT A LANDOWNER SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET A MUZZLELOADER ANY DEER LICENSE FOR HUNTING ON HIS OWN LAND. It would be nice, and I think very fair to allow a landowner to have a late season any deer license to hunt late in the year after the field work is done. \Archery hunters, who own no land can get more any deer licenses than a land owner---and I know that many nice bucks have been wounded and lost by archery hunters. Many of these hunters will take shots that they can't make when they see a big buck. They also get to hunt during the rut.\Archery hunters have way too many advantages.
1034	Need to have limited number of archery tags in each unit. Giving out to many archery tags each year limit out of state tags
1035	If it ain't broke, don't fix it. You already screwed up the website, don't mess with anything else.
1036	It is great to have 4 months of archery available with plenty of land available to do so I like the system as it is
1037	I was born in SD and lived there until I was 26 years old. I've always loved to hunt and fish growing up. Now I that I live in MN due to work, hunting in SD isn't affordable. \My idea is that a current or previous resident of SD, for at least 10 years, should have the opportunity to buy a lifetime license (similar to what MN offers). I feel like I've been punished and have had my outdoor opportunity crushed by moving to MN due to the high cost. If affordable, I'd love to hunt doves, pheasants, ducks, rifle and archery deer, and fish again in SD. It would cost a fortune to do that, currently. Thanks for listening to my rant ðŸ™,
1038	Please do not take away east and west river licenses. \Put a disclaimer on that if u shoot at a deer and donâ€™t recover it, do the right thing and eat your tagâ€¦you donâ€™t get to continue to hunt.\15 mile radius from towns gets alittle over run but I donâ€™t see any proposed changes that will help with that, it is what it is
1039	maintain the status quo but continue to monitor the numbers of non-resident hunters

1040	The deer population has noticeably declined in the past 5-10 years. I believe the number of hunters should be restricted until the population increases.
1041	I was an avid resident archery hunter 3 years ago. Haven't gotten a tag since the GFP Commission restricted archery tags for 35L units in Harding Country. The problem was open ended Non Resident tags that were purchased after missing out on tags in other western states. After speaking to some commissioners they were completely ok sacrificing 35L so they wouldn't have to give up tags for Non Residents in which they outfitted. The commissioners don't have the best interest of the residents. I'm done buying archery tags in SD. My money will go to Montana or Wyoming in the future unless things change. \Disappointed SD Resident
1042	My personal approach is that I will only take a trophy buck with archery equipment, no does, no small bucks. I am able to get meat from other hunting seasons. So most years, my archery tag does not get used. I don't know but suspect there are many more like me. I really like being able to get a license and hunt every year. Whatever allows me to continue to archery hunt every year. Maybe a trophy license (Min 4 points on one side) that allows the hunter to take one trophy and a general license that allows a hunter to take one any deer. The success rate on the trophy tag will likely be low while if someone wants to put meat in the freezer, they can get a general license where the success rate will be higher.
1043	Archery is the only place none land owners can be garenteed to get a deer tag every year.
1044	We need to put a cap on Nonresident archery licenses. This should have been done 10 years ago when the number of licenses was about right. Every year we wait it will be harder to do. My request would be to limit nonresident archery licenses to 10-15% of the resident licenses. 2500-3000 would be about right.
1045	Significantly restrict use of crossbows. Consider a "Traditional Only" season w/o compound bows
1046	The new website is terrible, go back to the old one
1047	Archery deer license is the only way that resident land owners with less then 160 acres have to hunt deer. If you limit it or take it away from such residents it may take several years for them to be able to archery hunt their own property. Thank you
1048	With the constant decline in the numbers of pheasants, these hunters are forced on to public land to hunt pheasants. This overpressure moves these large game animals onto private land and limits the availability of these animals for harvest in public lands. In turn, the large game hunters will continue to try and fill their tags by either moving to other areas, which creates added numbers of hunters in that area, with out the pheasant hunter pressure or even pursuing large game animals on private lands, illegally. Perhaps a better strategy for the improvement of archery hunting on public lands may be done by limiting public access of public lands of pheasant hunters during the deer season.
1049	I suggest keeping Archery AnyDeer/Antlerless as an unlimited option to residents because it keeps youth and future hunters engaged in our sport of hunting and the ability to hunt. Maybe in the future we should look into making some changes but right now the current setup seems ok.
1050	I'm sure this is a difficult issue to balance. Out of state hunters bring dollars that help local merchants and higher license fees help balance the GFP budget. However, they also compete with residents for public hunting opportunities. I've been blessed with access to private land but many SD residents do not have that ability. When I have hunted west river on public land, it did seem a bit congested. I haven't done that for a few years and have no idea if the other hunters were resident or non resident. As a lifelong resident, I'd like for our other SD residents to get the opportunity to enjoy our public spaces. Ultimately, I'd probably like to see a limit on Non-resident archery tags.
1051	Simple solution would be to say, "sorry non residents, you can't hunt here" • nothing pisses me off more than not drawing a tag in the state I live in, then driving out in the field to find a bunch of non resident hunters with tags.
1052	Limit the number of nonresident archery hunters or eliminate them before you restrict the number of resident archery hunters. You don't let nonresident hunt elk and I don't believe you get any complaints from resident hunters.

1053	I feel the people around Lake County have taken advantage of tags. I know some families are taking 8-10 does out of the herd before the rut even starts. Between youth and land owners, they're taking advantage of the Game, Fish, and Parks of South Dakota
1054	Please open the archery season for antlerless deer in Davison and Hutchinson counties and all other counties in this area.
1055	Limit the total number of tags to 2 tags per archery hunter. 1 any deer and 1 antlerless.
1056	Would like to see a limited crossbow season for us older portions of the hunting public
1057	We have hunted in South Dakota for over 20 years and have seen a pretty significant change in the quality of deer. A lot of that we attribute to disease but there is definitely more hunting pressure than when we first started to come out
1058	Limit the number of nonresident archery hunters.
1059	None
1060	I think we need to change back the start date on archery season till at least the end of the month, way too many big deer being shot and in my opinion wasted because of very high temps and they are just too easily patterned that time of year
1061	honestly, almost every time GFP tries improve the system, they make it worse. making one thing better, and 5 things worse.
1062	To many licenses and too few deer.
1063	Provide reduced price landowner tags they feed the deer you do provide this service for rifle season it is about time to make it fair for archery as well.
1064	I have nothing against non resident hunting. I myself have hunted out of state, in which i had to spend more money for a tag then it costs a non resident in South Dakota. Most archery hunts are prepped, lots of dispersed camping etc. In my experience there is not a lot of money spent locally with non resident archery hunters. That being said in reference to revenue if we increased our non resident cost in tags to be comparable to some of our neighbors to the west. It would drive the totals down but money generated would still be comparable if not more.
1065	too many bow hunters on walk in areas in Butte county
1066	Install a management program where you can only harvest/ shoot a buck with 4 or more points on a side. Boom...you would have an instant TROPHY STATE in a few years! \\\Also....ALLOW corner crossing!!!!
1067	I haven't haven't had an RCHEWRTY DEER TAG FOR ALOT OF YEARS, BUT USDED TO ARCHERY HUNT DEER EVERY YEAR. NOW i MOONLY6 RIFLE HUNT. POINT IS, SHOULD I BE TELLING YOU WHAT I THINK ABOUT ARCHERY HUNTING? BECAUSE I'M A LIFE-LONG HUNTING S.D. RESIDENT, I FEEL THAT I HAVE THE RIGHT TO TELL YA EXACTLY HOW I FEEL, & I'M HONORED THAT YOU ASKED!! \YOU BOYS STAY SAFE OUT THERE---THANKS AGAIN----#####
1068	Make the ability to take a mule deer I draw too many mule deer getting shot I would like to see them come back the way they used to be
1069	Make crossbows legal for everyone statewide in archery season.
1070	I really haven't seen hunt quality diminishing in over 20 years of on and off hunting in South Dakota. The Game and Fish have done an excellent job of maintaining the deer herds and providing adequate access even with the increase in hunters.
1071	Too many out of state archery hunters. Tags need to be reduced to nonresidents. We don't have the public lands that other states do and we are very limited. Don't take away residents rights to archery hunt. Other states have cut back on nonresidents we should do same.
1072	A battle indeed.....KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK AND KEEP SMILING

1073	No matter what happens people aren't going to be happy. I feel like archery has become so popular that in order to save the hunting on public regulations/access needs to become harder. Trouble is private ground creates problems with that. I like the idea of zones forcing hunters to focus on 2 smaller areas, but would like to see some sort of landowner tag system that allows them to take in x number of hunters to keep guides in business or locals continuing to hunt in there back yards every year. This would have no affect on general tags. SD has phenomenal deer hunting opportunities and should be charging more for tags. Residents should be \$50 and non residents minimum of \$350/\$500. It would make everyone mad but the reality is the state has the quality of animals to do it and everyone will still buy the tag, but more importantly I feel like the opportunity for a trophy hunt will drastically increase as well as quality of hunt by removing pressure and reducing hunter on hunter altercations and hopefully keep revenue up. Thank you for reading my thoughts and hope this helps.
1074	don't know if your public land includes state parks were you also have to get a permit. there are way to many tree stands in Newton Hills State Park that are not labeled or some hunters have multiple stands. Limit the number of stands that can be in the park per person. 4 should be enough. If you find more than 4 take them all down, and ban them from park hunting for 5 years.
1075	Your lottery system appear to be corrupt just a money making scam for the state. There probably needs to be an investigation on why you would have preference point system and then let hunters draw with no preference points. When there are hunters applying with 4 preference points.
1076	I think its working the way it its,,,,stop messing with things that work!! Leave it alone!!!!!!
1077	The reason more people are bowhunting is because it is hard to get a tag. Cant get the rifle tags i want so i need to get ar hery tags. This is a guranteed way to get to go hunting. If you had more rifle tags the archery numbers would drop. Also the longer season allows you more chance to hunt your tag. There needs to be more public access.
1078	As a landowner, limit the overall numbers. We are overwhelmed during the fall hunting window with everyone hunting whatever seems to be moving at the time. Especially during periods of drought, its imperative hunter numbers and access is both restricted or prohibited!
1079	I would hate to see the archery tags go to a little limited draw. With it being increasingly harder to draw a rifle tag. Some years it may be the only option to hunt deer. I donâ€™t have a problem with limiting access to overcrowded public land
1080	Change the season and eliminate Sept too many mature big bucks taken before a chance to spread these genes.
1081	please do not go to a draw. i like to hunt deer and its to hard to get a rifle tag every year maybe two or three years or even four years. so if i cant hunt with a bow tag i will start to lose interest i am 65 years old. maybe you should give people a better chance for the county witch they live in.
1082	I believe it would be nice to limit the number of nonresident archery hunter, and increase their tag price. I have also seen YouTube and listened to podcasts about the low cost and ease as to get tags in SD https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/working-class-bowhunter/id974808977?i=1000568038215 here is link for a podcast talking about how cheap a SD deer license is. \You can start around the 41-42 minute mark to listen to them talk about how cheap our tags are!
1083	I believe that for every archery deer tagged there is another that has been wounded and/or died, that wasn't recovered... \Especially in the open areas with limited tree cover. I witness this on a regular basis.
1084	Need to manage the mule deer, with the loss of grassland habitat and in the pass giving out any antlerless tags did not help the mule deer. GF&P had done a poor job managing the mule deer since the late 90s.
1085	I would like to see you go back to the 3 point or better rule for bucks, not just for archery but for rifle as well.
1086	If we're having a increase in archery hunters maybe you should have a limited numbered of archery permits like you have in rifle season. I feel that they already get a headstart over rifle hunters. That way there's a little more balance.
1087	I do most of my archery hunting in the Black Hills and have never had a problem finding a place to hunt. The bigger problem in the hills area is the recreational vehicles that have no limits on where they can go.

1088	i am pro archery and would promote any positive changes to impruve the hunting exp.\limited acsess and less tags issued just make the exp. less than attractive.\all that said are there over hunted regons in the state if so proper stewardship is the answer. \theas regons could be limited draw only and excluded from the current aplication prosses.
1089	The number of mule deer is down. To many out of state rifle hunters. Make the draws either whitetail or mule deer NOT ANY DEER
1090	South Dakota will continue to be sub par deer destination until people can refrain from killing young bucks just to fill their 7th deer tag for the year. Nobody needs that many deer in the freezer. I know of people who will fill rifle tags on both sides of the river , then do it again for archery. Our deer never have a chance to grow because they all get shot by the time they are 3 years old. Need way less out of state hunters and more restrictions on in state hunters. Nobody needs 6 deer every year!!!
1091	I would be less concerned with archery seasons and fix all of the problems with the website/app so people can get their licenses with the way the seasons currently are. I would make a pole and questionnaires such as this one regarding the The new format and itâ€™s lack of information On the new app and website. And also address all of the differences between the emails that go out and the tags that are actually available.
1092	I think we restrict it to one archery tag. Reason being, South Dakota is too small to restrict people to stay within a unit but I also think only giving people one archery tag would make a huge difference because west river would not get hunted near as hard which I believe is the initial reason this is being discussed. \I can see a difference and better at that, in restricting nonresidents to hunt public until October. \I do think there is a lot of resident hunters as well but it is also our state and I donâ€™t think we should be restricted to certain areas, at least not right now. \I think rifle hunting plays a huge roll in this as well, I think thereâ€™s too many hunters in 49B where I hunt, I think the easy draw units need to be more limited.\If quality of deer is a main motive for this, I think we should just have a 4 point restriction on whitetail and 4 point restriction on mule deer or a 22â€• width. \Either way, thereâ€™s no doubt that there are more archery hunters than ever.
1093	i would guess on my part the reason archery tags went up for non resident hunters is that we now have to apply before we apply for a rifle tag, its very hard for a non resident to get a rifle deer tag now and if you want to hunt then applying for an archery tag before hand is at least you get to come hunt, if you draw a rifle tag then you get to try for 2 deer then, better that then not hunting at all out there which is happening to often now. Over the many many years i have hunted out there for deer and antelope I've spent more than any resident hunter of that state i would bet, I'm ok with that i just wish i could get a tag more frequently than i am.
1094	I have been hunting Sd. for a long time and work in Sd. live on border just east of state line. The price for a deer tag is too high compared to what Mn. charges out of state hunters, please don't raise them more. Thanks
1095	I would like to see cross bows legal for seniors. 62-65 or older. I am 68 and would of bought a license and spent money for a deer hunting trip. Could restrict them to a drawing like rifle hunters. I would like to get the chance to hunt east river. I am a non resident. I donâ€™t hunt with a compound bow any more. Thanks
1096	Archery deer should be the same as rifle licenses.
1097	Too many unqualified archery hunters wounding deer. Taking unreasonable shots they shouldn't take. All hunters starting at a certain age need to be schooled and pass a test before they get an archery permit.
1098	Keep the same for residents, and create an any deer or any whitetail draw for nonresidents.
1099	I have enjoyed a few successful west river archery deer hunts on private land. It has been nice on years I have not drawn a rifle tag to be able to buy an archery tag and hunt on the private ranch I have gone too for the last 30 yrs. I hope this remains the same in the future and not become a draw tag, sincerely #####
1100	Donâ€™t make it hard for a resident to get a license like you do for riffle season been applying for 9 years now and havenâ€™t got one you set aside takes in regular drawing for land owners but yet they can get one after the drawings public land gets leased but yet you let them graze or gut it for hay
1101	I think the current archery season regulations are just fine.
1102	As a life long resident of SD, I feel that the GFP is looking at dollar signs and not paying attention to the residents. RESIDENTS COME FIRST!!! Reduce the number of rifle tags statewide and start with non resident, cut back on resident cause quite frankly the deer numbers are not there. LEAVE THE ARCHERY TAGS ALONE!!

1103	Need to make more west River out of state rifle hunter tags available.
1104	Please change date for time by which non-residents have to have license app in for public land hunt. Adjust it to march 31st, it is easy to miss the current date as it is the first day of the month. If a guy remembered tags are due beginning April, he isn't typically thinking April 1st. Unfortunately this year I logged in on April second, and of course missed it. I appreciate the change to require guys to commit earlier in the app cycle, helps guys who only plan on hunting out of state to SD only, not get smashed by others who didn't draw other states. The small change just helps to track it better. I can't wait to live back home again, you guys do a great job of managing wildlife!!!!
1105	I am not an archery deer hunter and do not feel qualified to influence these decisions. However, I am very much in favor of getting people, especially young people, involved in outdoor activities such as bowhunting and that any changes should encourage participation in the sport.
1106	I used to be a resident of SD and I will be again after retirement. I have family and friends with private property that I hunt. I love the public lands also. I think archery hunting is difficult and it should be. I guess I love the way things are right now and permits should be based on harvest and GFP's goals for deer numbers.
1107	I enjoy my archery tag most each year because I know I can get it for sure. I don't really care about shooting anything anymore but just enjoy getting out and hunting. I like the longer season also. It gives me more opportunity.
1108	Restricting state hunters would only add to the new license limits that were imposed to gun hunters. Many archery hunters use this as a way to at least have some time in the field even if it isn't the method in which they wished to harvest a deer. I think too that in the future we look at giving our own residents more opportunities and less to out of state hunters.
1109	Don't fix what don't need fixing, I don't like the drawing changes you've made in the last 5 years , they have hurt my hunting opportunities I'd hate to see more of the same
1110	I like the way the season is now. I rarely see other hunters on public land during archery season and I like that and I appreciate you haven't opened it up for cross bows. (that's not archery) Thank you
1111	SDGFP should limit the number of NR archery hunters to just 10% of total resident archery hunters. The 10% number should be derived from the previous year's resident archery hunters. Many states have been doing this with NR elk hunting licenses.
1112	If change is in the works, the change should benefit the resident hunters of the state of South Dakota ... Hunting is a way for people to feed their families if change is in the wind let it be a change for the residents, if possible, you could have like 300 free doe licenses for each county some struggling families really need this...
1113	I say take away the statewide tag and make the hunters choose between either east or west River tags. Not both!
1114	I believe out of state hunters should have to draw for archery tags. This can limit their impact. Especially in the black hills and the mule deer.
1115	South Dakota is the only state in the west where you are able to purchase an over-the-counter archery tag as a resident or non-resident. Rather than adding more restrictions and permit access to different locations, turn the entire archery system into a draw! Then people who are successful can then enter in a separate draw for the limited access permits if they choose. \\\Limiting the number of hunters in the field will increase the trophy potential as well as the hunter satisfaction. If/when people start complaining about not being able to archery hunt every year, just add in a clause where if you draw archery one year, you have to take a year off and are unable to participate in the draw the following year. Try to make an archery tag and every other year thing. \\Of course, you can always have exceptions with private land. You could have a completely separate application for private land only. Rather than dividing it into state wide, West River, East River tags.
1116	Start hills archery later so they don't get in the way of elk season, buck only mule deer in black hills
1117	No more changes needed in deer hunting regulations in SD. The last round of changes in firearms license draw process was a significant step backwards. Please don't make major changes to another season because of a few people complaining...

1118	Need a shorter season. There out kicking deer out of there beds. It chases deer out of there bedding areas. There out running when it's hot. To hot to even hunt. Season is way to long.
1119	The stupid hf & p keeps screwing hunting for more money!!!
1120	Many factors can affect wild life numbers . I believe you should have flexible unit draws when \you recognize wild life shortages.. Shorter seasons Less hunters ect. You have to ask\Am I promoting over harvesting? I own land north of Winner Last year we didnt pheasant hunt\Very little or no birds For over 2 years I havent seen a mule deer on our property\I live to fish and hunt, but I also want to preserve what we have for the future.. The almighty \dollar seems to be your steering wheel
1121	Whitetail and mule deer doe numbers are considerably less than they were 15 years ago. Deer hunting as a whole has become less rewarding with fewer deer. The relentless high harvest of does needs to be reduced allowing for higher recovery rates. Archery tags should be buck only tags.
1122	Limit the non residents to 8% like rifle units
1123	I have not been able to hunt due to a lack of success in drawing tags. This is very frustrating as a resident hunter. I also do not like the option given to BUY preference points as this makes it harder for lower income hunters to draw a tag. I donâ€™t want to see hunting become only for the wealthy in a state that many have tried to pass down a hunting tradition to their children.
1124	Please consider restricting nonresident archery tags. Unlimited NonResident archery licenses are negatively impacting young class mule deer. Extra pressure on these deer have decimated deer quality and health in many areas.
1125	Terrible idea to allow deer hunting in areas where an elk season is open. I have witnessed many elk stocks ruined by deer hunters seeing how close they can get to the elk. Have had words with deer hunters running around bugling to elk.
1126	The good days of bowhunting have come to an end due to the high levels of nonresident bowhunters. Many public land areas that I used to hunt are no longer worth checking due to the high numbers of nonresident hunters.
1127	Please consider these items: unlimited licenses available over the counter rather than at game and fish offices. A cheaper alternative for antlerless only archery licenses for non-residents. Allow non-residents who purchase a archery license in season to hunt public land also. If âœœtoo many archery huntersâ€• is an issue try limiting the number of licenses for each individual hunter to try to reduce overall hunter hours afield.
1128	Keep archery tags for residents
1129	Quality of the hunt diminishes each year. Allow fewer nonresidents to come to our state. Too much priority on increasing revenue. The ATV riders are harming our wildlife and disturbing the overall experience of the quiet outdoors.
1130	Units with high density mule deer like perkins and fall river counties get alot of non-resident mule deer archery hunters and could be part of the decline in the quality of hunts. The good mule deer units are getting inundated with archery mule deer hunters regardless of resident status.
1131	Need to make cross bow legal for achery season. No mopre advantage using them over the compound bows that are being used today
1132	Out law every crossbow. They have no place in archery.
1133	We have to many public land hunters which eventually migrate to trespassers once they realize the public land has been burned up by foot traffic. I would suggest having limited draws for public and over the counter tags for private like the SDGFP does for rifle season.
1134	bow hunters should not be alowed to bait, they should hunt same as rifle due to the advanced bow technoligy of bows.
1135	I have bow hunted in SD two other times as a nonresident on private land only. I would do it every year if I could spend more time out there. In all the years I have hunted in West River areas, I have never come across a bow hunter so it is hard for me to make any solid comments on the seasons and possible changes you want to see changed. \Thank you.

1136	If restricting private land allow landowner preference. Similar to firearm season.
1137	I think it is more important to use license tag limits to manage the quality of the deer population than hunter preference. If we can do that and still allow everyone who wants to archery hunt a chance to do that it would be great. I also fully support restrictions on hunter numbers in specific areas that are getting too much traffic as judged by hunter opinion.
1138	I'm from SD originally but now in Colorado but still go back to SD every year for archery and rifle when drawn. I know in state are complaining but I think slot of these non resident hunters are going to outfitters. Obviously outfitting is slot bigger these days. Public land archery isn't easy even if it's in BH. I do think like areas like 35L need to be adjusted. Archery is kind of the back door option to hunt the slim buttes. Where others are waiting 6 plus years to draw for rifle. If it's a trophy unit then keep it that way even with archery. Create a point system for the pass or something
1139	I think that the system is set up right and don't think we need a change this is the first year I have not gotten an archery tag due to time not able to hunt but I have not harvested a deer in the last three years and I believe that there are a lot of other hunters the same way
1140	As a non-resident that hunts all private land, I do not want to go to a draw system. It's hard enough getting a rifle tag. I have shot 5 deer in 14 years that I have archery hunted some prime private ground.
1141	I feel we let way too many out of state hunters hunt mule deer in our area including the black hills
1142	I'm guessing nonresident hunters and hunt for pay landowners are the ones whining about numbers??\Usually the case.
1143	with the change in the weather pattern the season is open to soon. the weather has been too hot to hunt the first few weeks of the season. Move it back to the middle of Sept and add on weeks at the end.
1144	I only started bow hunting because it kept getting harder and harder each year to draw resident firearms licenses and I could always get an archery tag. I would be very disappointed if resident archery tags went to a draw system. If you want to reduce the number of archery tags in SD please do it on the non-resident tags. Not everyone can afford to travel to other states every year to hunt. I look forward to at least being able to get an archery tag in my home state every year.
1145	The number of Resident Bowhunters have increased, in part, due the lack of opportunity to draw a any weapons (firearm) tag in their preferred units. This is also why you are seeing an increase in the number of Any Deer Muzzleloading Applicants every year. In order to correct this in-balance the Department needs to recognize that more Public Access is needed and population controls on our big game herds cannot be managed by Landowner Tolerance but must also habitat sustainability included. \ The issue of non-resident bowhunters needs to be addressed by making hunting in South Dakota compatible with other states. Not only by limiting the number of licenses sold but by making those licenses as costly as neighboring states. When I talk to non-resident bowhunters, they tell me that they can get their license and hunt here in South Dakota for 2 weeks straight (they are camping) cheaper that they can draw a tag in Iowa. This is fundamentally wrong, our quality of deer can be as good. when the Department put the NR application deadline in place that was a good first step, but it needs to go further
1146	we need to limit the number of non resident archery hunters. They come to our state because it is cheaper than other states and we have more deer. Either increase the non resident license fee to be comparable with other states or reduce the number of tags available or both.
1147	Stop forcing nonresident hunters who hunt public land to buy their license by April. I don't understand the thought behind that.
1148	I am 84 years old and can still pull the minimum amount and must use a compound bow. I could have more chance with a crossbow due to limited mobility. I would like to see crossbows legal during the bow season or on a draw basis.\I also have over 30 preferences for Custer Elk and would like an opportunity to hunt there before I am 100.
1149	Maybe you want to cap the number of archery licenses to a limited draw.
1150	Make nonresident go thru a limited draw with only 1 tag option

1151	I've hunted this state for I believe 18 straight years. Some things have changed for the worse. As far as this survey I think everything should stay the same in my opinion. \But if anything increase non resident deer tag numbers since they are have to be a huge part of the revenue to the game and fish. And I would like to see non res. Archery hunters allowed to hunt earlier vs the October 1 opener on public lands. With that being said I enjoy the beautiful state and always look forward to hunting there. \Thank you
1152	Resident archery hunters on private land should not be limited. Restricting some public access with permits, and limiting nonresident hunters should be the the first changes made.
1153	Web site is impossible
1154	I don't feel you can just look at the number of hunters. With the low success rate of archery hunters what have the harvest numbers looked like in comparison? I would think that hasn't increased by the same amount. I really like the way the archery tag system is set up and would prefer no changes be made.
1155	No mule deer doe harvest in the black hills fire district. 4 point minimum on mule deer buck harvest. Get rid of access permit in black hills. It's federal land and can be controlled by limiting mule deer harvest. As a taxidermist I would like to see mandatory checking for harvest of deer pertaining to archery. Reducing illegal activities associated with archery/ firearm harvests. It happens more than you think. I know there are a lot of archery hunters who do not own a bow. Ignorance or lack of funding should not promote the illegal harvest of deer. This will reduce harvest numbers and archery pressure if hunters must present harvested animals to C.O. or authorized inspection.
1156	I feel there are far too many non resident archery hunters hunting public land.
1157	Need to consider the number of crossbow permits being issued into the growth of archery hunters.
1158	Increase NR price for tags and cut them also make it a limited draw
1159	Your state is one of a few that still does not allow crossbows to be used. As I am starting to get older, 54, it is getting harder for me to archery hunt and I do not want to go through the process of getting one based on medical needs. You should take a closer look at this practice
1160	It would be nice if you gave the stats at the beginning of the survey, not the end.
1161	Need to change the season back to October through January
1162	make the public land available at the same time as private land for non-residents that want to start on opening day so there is more land available and might be contiguous to private land being hunted.
1163	the season starts too early. we have many fawns that still have there spots. go back to last week in Sept.
1164	The area I hunt near sturgis is heavily populated with Minnesota and Wisconsin hunters I feel in early archery season.
1165	Way to many non-resident archery hunters after the mule deer, this also goes for East River archery hunters. Residents on the west side are being over run by all of these people. I do not believe in the having to have an access permit to hunt in the Forest service when you live in the county you are hunting.
1166	Consider allowing the use of crossbows, this will increase participation
1167	As cited in this survey, the increase of licenses to both residents and non residents over the last 10 years is evidence that more bow hunters are active in SD. This doesn't necessarily mean all hunters are rubbing shoulders with others or experiencing reduced opportunities but it could be concluded that some in fact are. As a resident I can say my opportunities based on draw successes and hunting pressure for the firearm seasons have definitely changed. I cannot identify the reason (possibly cubed preference) or more applications to the seasons / units I apply. Either way, I value archery more than the firearm seasons and would be very disappointed if SD would continue to allow non residents to Harvest a larger ratio of mule deer than residents or permit a blanket use of cross bows. I hope the stakeholders consider what SD currently affords and weigh prices/tag allocations against the surrounding states. I know from experience what time and money it takes to hunt other big game states. SD residents need to come first. Thank you.
1168	This really comes down to managing pressure on mule deer. I support both resident and non resident restrictions to reduce mule deer hunting pressure.

1169	Please make unlimited tags completely be banned. The resources are not unlimited and it just stop. \No more mule deer tags should ever be unlimited and SD GFP biologists know this, but the staff in Pierre will not listen.
1170	Main reason archery permits are increasing is your current process for applying for rifle p
1171	If you would set a limited quota on license available for resident archery hunters per each unit just like rifle this would help maintain the deer population more accurately!
1172	Allow crossbow hunting seasons for people that arenâ€™t injured
1173	Open up more antlerless RIFLE tags for the black hills, I live in them and the population is insane. If nothing else, open unlimited rifle doe tags for land owners in the Black Hills at \$10 each.
1174	<p>The scope of your preset questions/options is too limited, but I chose the answer that closest fit my thoughts. What I would really like to see happen is an overhaul of the entire archery deer permitting system. \\Food for thought on resident hunters: 1. Maintain East River and West River permits, but do not allow hunters to get one of each per year. 2. Treat the Statewide permit similarly to the current firearms Special Buck permit--increase cost of permit and limit availability through drawings. 3. Consider limiting "any deer" permits only to those areas where populations are trying to be diminished. Offer "any buck" permits in areas where population growth is desired. Perhaps consider a drawing for "any deer" permits and offer a default 2nd choice guaranteeing an "any buck" tag. For as long as we can muster, we should give residents an opportunity to get an archery deer tag every year. \\I generally don't like the idea of limiting where an archery hunter can be in the field, but the Missouri River seems to be as good a boundary as any for management purposes. I do not like idea of setting up 5-6 "super-units" across the state, as that would likely result in being too restrictive for too many. The season is long and many of us spend time hunting in a variety of regions over the course of a season. The typical archery season probably carries me into 7-8 different firearms deer units (Black Hills and multiple prairie units). \\Food for thought on non-resident hunters: quite simply, limit the tags and make them available only through a drawing. As our state's population increases and more and more non-residents "discover" public land hunting opportunities, more and more non-resident pressure is being applied to our public land resources. Initially, it should be feasible to set up a drawing that would equate roughly to getting a tag every other year, not too different than drawing odds for Black Hills rifle deer. Nearly every, or every, western state limits non-resident archer deer tags in one way or another. We should do the same. \\Thanks for the opportunity to offer some thoughts!</p>
1175	N/A
1176	It is a good program, I do not believe it needs to be updated at this time.
1177	Ban out of state hunters. Only allow in in state hunters.
1178	I feel if there are too many archery hunters, that non-resident archery hunters should be reduced, and NOT the residents hunters who provide funding of wildlife programs in our state thru the purchase of other licenses for other species year after year after year. \We do not allow non resident elk hunters in SD so that resident hunters can draw a tag....deer are no different.
1179	I personally have not run into any issues with the current system already in place. I could see the possibility in really good public land of there being too much hunter traffic, but have not personally run into it myself.
1180	No additional comments.
1181	To many atv and off road machines running the roads and ruining hunts and making wildlife take more cover in areas such as private land and area where there is no hunting. Please consider moving and closing gate earlier than October 15th
1182	Make the city area archery map easier to use,\Land marks or marked way points. Also seem a little too limited in some spots.
1183	I really like the season structure and availability of the statewide archery tag. As a rancher this allows me to hunt when I have time and not be bound to a specific 2 or 4 week period.
1184	Numbers should t be based on tags purchased as many people donâ€™t have time to fill or just the success rate in general isnâ€™t that high.
1185	There needs to be a limited number of non resident hunters with the increase of resident hunters.

1186	I believe current management practices are just right. Even though it is very difficult to get a muzzle loader, or Black Hills Deer tag, I believe that my consistent ability to get an archery tag, balances that out very well. I have chosen not to fill my Archery tag, two years in a row, but that was my choice. I also chose not to fill my Black Hills Buck tag a couple of years ago, and again that was my choice. I have an archery tag again this year, and it is reassuring to know that even though I was unable to draw other tags, I again have a choice to fill my bow tag. I thoroughly enjoy spending time in the hills, and have consistently passed up chances to fill my tags, but at least I have that opportunity " and I really appreciate that! I retired as Command Chief from Ellsworth Air Force Base, and spent the next 15 years working at Mount Rushmore. I live in the Black Hills, and I'm very proud of the way our Game, Fish and Parks, manages our game resources. You're outstanding efforts are a trust well-placed!!!
1187	I think a check in Of resident non resident archery deer should be conducted, so an actual success rate can be calculated for sure. If there is 16% more non resident tags sold than previous years but the success rates isn't up. I don't so much see an issue. I like that the non resident has to apply before April 1 to be able to hunt public land.
1188	Would be great if you could archery hunt on your private land in the city limits of RAPID City. Have plenty of deer on my property but not able to harvest any of them.
1189	The GFP website is terrible.
1190	While I understand that out-of-state hunters spend a lot of money in South Dakota, I still believe we should restrict the number of out-of-state licenses offered. Another option may be that if you obtain an out-of-state license, you are then ineligible for the next two years, or something like that. That may reduce the number of deer harvested, and or the hunting pressure? Thanks for asking these questions!
1191	Don't restrict resident hunters any more than we are at present. We all know the reason for this survey is because of hunters that hunt the Black Hills and certain West River counties that want the areas more to themselves and want to limit non-residents. don't restrict hunters instead raise the price of the license and let the hunters decide. The day my sons can't come home and hunt with me on our land I will stop anyone from hunting it and join the anti-hunters to ban hunting.
1192	At the end of the day bow hunting is still about hunting. We have a growing number but we still have the lowest success rate as any group. Drought, EHD, non resident pressure , youth and mentor hunting have played a big role in our numbers declining. In my opinion the over harvest of does has played a big role in herd decline. By making the archery tag as a limited draw tag for the nonresident would help to relieve the pressure on the west river deer herd. Your own data supports this. Also the youth and mentor hunters taking the large majority of muledeer does and adolescent bucks is hunting our resident muledeer herds. Again your data supports this. I personally have purchased both a ER and WR archery tag almost every year since 1987 when you first started allowing it. I have only filled both tags in the same year 3 times. (Let that sink in) In my eyes this is free revenue for the GF&P. In closing my opinion is.....leave the resident bow hunters alone and limit the nonresident. Best regards #####
1193	Why do we have unlimited nonresident archery tags they put far to much pressure on the mule deer heard
1194	Non-resident hunters should not be excluded from hunting public lands that they help support through various taxes during the first month of the season. Non-resident hunters should not be penalized and prohibited from hunting public lands for not purchasing an archery tag prior to a spring deadline.\\At a minimum, federal land access should not be limited or restricted for non-resident hunters vs. resident hunters.
1195	Limit non resident hunting oportunities, time periods, might leave the non resident license regulations the same as they are now
1196	Xxx
1197	Don't penalize the residents of South Dakota in the interest of generating dollars from out of state hunters. Tourism has taken away so many things from local South Dakota residents - please don't make hunting and fishing be a part of that.

1198	There are too many people driving around trying to shoot deer out of vehicles such as pickups and utvs. It's hard to find an area that doesn't have these kinds of activities disrupting the movement of deer. It should be against the law to shoot a rifle or bow from anywhere near a vehicle traveling on a public road/trail, excluding physically disabled.
1199	All mule deer season need to be taken out for a few years to bring population back.
1200	I'm a proponent of limited non resident archery licenses. I also think hunters should have to decide to hunt east river or hunt west river, not get both.
1201	People can't draw a rifle tag and want to hunt so they have to apply for archery
1202	I would like to be able to purchase a archery tag for public land if I'm unsuccessful in drawing a rifle tag.
1203	Leave the archery season alone. it is the only tag we can get every year. When it takes 3 too 4 years to draw a black hills rifle tag that is unacceptable. So that is why there is more archery hunters now. It is the only way to get a tag every year. Just leave it alone
1204	Need cut the nonresident tags should have a limited. There are way to many coyotes on public land too
1205	What's the number of young bowhunters, I see a decline in interest for bowhunting, if imposing any restrictions keep it nonresident.
1206	I only like to hunt Slim Buttes and it is STUPID to have to buy a license before I put in for an access permit. Since we have to put in for an access permit to hunt which was a STUPID idea in my opinion, why not make it a draw and if you're successful you get an access permit AND archery tag. People are getting fed up with the power of the GF&P and the nonstop changes that have driven some away from hunting. I can't drive or camp or have access to most of the public ground we used to hunt for years.
1207	Non-resident hunters need to have a lottery with significantly reduced numbers and significantly increased pricing. SD makes it so affordable for out of staters to get a license. I have been a non-resident hunter and believe me, I had to pay for it. The other issue is commercial hunting with unlimited non-resident licenses has destroyed hunting for the locals. Now, the Black Hills are overrun with residents and they are shooting everything. The other issue is non-resident hunters are shooting small mule deer bucks for the sake of shooting a mule deer buck. Everyone says archery deer hunting brings in lots of tourism dollars. This really isn't the case. Most archery hunters are bringing a camper, sleeping in a tent or even a vehicle. They are not venturing to town to eat, they are bringing food from home and hunting all day. Everyone always uses the case that hunting is a huge tourism contribution to our state. I would agree that pheasant hunting does offer this as well as rifle deer hunting. Archery on the other hand I would completely disagree. The temperatures are conducive to camping and coolers hold ice for 3-5 days now. They have no reason to come to town. Sadly, hunting has really turned into a rich mans sport. I don't think this can be changed. I feel awful for parents that don't have the financial ability to pay to take their kids hunting. Perhaps the state could increase non-resident prices and use some of that money to help those kids/families that don't have that opportunity.
1208	Some people have children and grandchildren that live out of state. If you are going to limit non resident bow hunting , there should be exceptions if they are only hunting private land. Bow hunting has become a great tradition for my two sons, son in law and four grandsons. We do it on our family farm .
1209	The stats are all for licenses but not harvest. Bowhunting success has to be much less than firearm. I sure don't want to work that hard. Reward those who choose to, many of whom are younger. Grow the sport for South Dakotans through public access.
1210	I HUNT MAINLY HARDING COUNTY. IT SEEMS THAT YOU KEEP EXTENDING THE SEASONS FOR ARCHERY. ALSO THEY TEND TO HARVEST ALOT OF SMALLER ANTLERED DEER WHICH REDUCES THE CHANCE OF THAT DEER MATURING.EVERY NON ANTLER DEER HARVSETED TAKES AWAY 2 DEER IF YOU COUNT NEXT YEARS FAWN. I THINK IT SHOULD BE MRE LIMITED. MAYBE A CERTAIN QUOTA SYSTEM . TO LIMIT THE AMONT OF ARCHERY HUNTERS. DONT GET ME WRONG I REALLY RESPECT THOSE HUNTERS . JUST THINK IT SHOLD BE A LITTLE MORE LIMITED. AS FAR AS OUT OF STATERS GO. YOU SHOULD CK WHAT OTHER STATES CHARGE OUR STATE HUNTERS TO GO TO THEIR STATE TO HUNT. THEN ADJUST PRICES UP

1211	Archery hunting is a challenge and far more difficult to harvest than gun. Arguably archers have enough challenges and don't need accessibility issues too. As a non resident hunter who pays 300 for tags which goes to fund your public lands and staff etc this hardly seems sensible or fair. Not to mention the 100's or 1000's in gear and lodging I spend. To harvest 2 deer in 10yrs. I do it for the love of our doors. Support that.
1212	Do not increase the price of archery deer tags for residents, increase for nonresidents, to match marketplace trends in other states.
1213	The out of state archery hunters should be limited and their season needs to be closed from 15 October through 15 Dec. They surround the 640 acres of land with multiple hunters and ruin the hunting opportunities for my family and myself.
1214	When i was younger and playing sports, i had a serious shoulder injury. I am not able to pull back a compound bow. I have a cross bow permit. \\I had to go thru my Orthopedic Surgeon to get this permit. I do not believe that should be a requirement. \\South dakota should allow crossbows during the archery season.
1215	The cost for non-resident hunters to hunt in South Dakota is significantly cheaper than to hunt in a state like Iowa. For a non resident archery any deer tag it costs \$286. \\To hunt in Iowa, nonresidents need to purchase a hunting license (\$131.00) and a nonresident habitat fee (\$15.00). To hunt deer you will also need your tags, sold as an any-sex tag and antlerless tag combination (\$498.00). The total for a deer hunting application will be \$644.00 plus applicable fees\\\$286 vs \$644. I'd suggest if we did reciprocal costs we would have a lot less out of state hunters which would provide more opportunities for the residents. Another reason we are seeing an increase in non-resident hunting is because commercial hunting is becoming more common way to generate revenue. If you watch some of the hunting shows you will see plenty of big name people coming to SD to hunt trophy animals. \\Leave the system as is. I'm sure this isn't popular with some but they have plenty of opportunities to hunt.
1216	I am overwhelmed with archery hunters hunting public land that I run cattle on. On September 2nd there were 8 vehicles parked in 2 pull offs. Last year the day before non res archery season 7 vehicles parked in a half mile of public. 5 or so stopping periodically to glass not getting out of the middle of the road in a steep curvy hill. I witnessed all this as I was attempting to move cattle. The sheer amount of hunters makes the hunters move to edge of public trying to catch deer coming off of private. In the river breaks public and private is not marked very well and trespassing is always an issue. I would really like to see more limited access areas. The large area in north east Pennington would greatly benefit from less hunting pressure.
1217	Before we limit nonresidents, we should also look at the increases in resident licenses.\\If we limit nonresidents, we should also limit some of the residents also.\\Looking at areas where overharvest might occur due to archery tags might be a good idea of areas to start looking at limited draws or permits. The Black Hills might be an area to look at.
1218	Season should start later, September is too hot, likely resulting in wasted meat.\\Price increases need to stop. \$40 per tag is too much for low income families looking for meat.
1219	This is for black hills non residents rifle season. Would like more tags available. We used to get a tag every two years, now it's 4 years. Thanks
1220	I am in favor of allowing the use of crossbows during the archery season.
1221	I really have a big problem of being limited to private land to archery hunt if I don't get my application in on time. I am originally from the Black Hills and now I have been a non resident since 98 and 90 percent of the time I hunt national forest service and I get up high. Never ever in my life have I ever ran into a problem with other Archery hunters in the areas I hunt. In fact I can't remember ever running into someone. This deadline for hunting forest service makes no sense
1222	more Archery hunter in the Black Hills would be nice, i would like to archery in the hills
1223	I think you start the seasons too early and end them too late. You also have too many different licenses available.
1224	I do believe that there are too many non resident tags making it difficult for the residents too achieve their goals.
1225	Stop providing land owner preference. I would like to hunt an elk in my lifetime.

1226	The change in the rifle tag draw for deer has made it very difficult to get my preferred tag and many others are experiencing the same issue. A change in the rifle draw to the GF&P original proposal (before the Commission got their fingers on the proposal) may help this. I believe the changes made forced more hunter to get into archery to hunt the areas they desire.
1227	I quit fishing the hills lakes because of over fishing. Seems like there are more hunters every year and archery has definately gotten popular since I started in 1986! I would hate to not be able to at least archery hunt deer every year! Its my passion. I mostly hunt the GPA in the hills now due to all the people coming to the Black Hills. I gave up on Fort Meade due to all the bike trails and logging that just killed the excellent bowhunting that once existed! Now my biggest complaint is all the people disturbing the hunting in the GPA's! Mnt bikers riding deer trails, people walking dogs all over, its always something!!!!!!
1228	Even though the numbers have gone up archery hunting doesnâ€™t mean everyone kills a deer. Itâ€™s much harder to do. I heard itâ€™s in certain area thatâ€™s causing problems. I hope your not going to take it out on the whole state because of a certain area. Itâ€™s the one tag I can rely every year to go hunting. Riifle tags take to many preference points to go every year. I rely on the bow take now because my boy is just starting to be able to go with. Thanks.
1229	Over the last 10 years, the number of nonresident hunters on public land has increased significantly. I personally am all for nonresident hunters but do believe the number of nonresident licenses should have a cap. I do understand that the funds raised by the nonresident licensing is a great source of revenue for the state. Along with a nonresident license number cap, I believe the license fee for nonresidents should be brought more in proximity with neighboring states that offer mule deer hunting as well. While nonresidents do bring a great source of revenue to the areas they come to hunt, it should not be put above the resident hunters who are providing revenue year round.
1230	hunt wolves\nno paid hunting\nhunt mountain in deer season
1231	I love the opportunity to hunt with a bow every year. In fact, compared to our neighboring western states who have more opportunity, itâ€™s wonderful to at the very least know I can hunt with my bow. As social media popularizes South Dakotaâ€™s opportunities, I am more than okay starting to limit out of state opportunity. We live here, pay taxes here, recreate here, and put our dollars and efforts into these lands. Iâ€™m glad out of state hunters want to come here! BUT, lets ensure that opportunity for our residents is our priority. Iâ€™m grateful GF&P is doing this survey, and encourage more of these to keep coming.
1232	Use of crossbow being allowed would be good. Especially for older people like myself
1233	I have been hunting SD deer for 35 years, I cherish the opportunity to hunt the Black Hills archery or gun with my brothers and sons, we never had a problem with too many hunters, Itâ€™s not about just getting deer, but enjoying each other. Iâ€™ll be 70 next year and would hate to be restricted on how many times, I could enjoy this trip . My state of Mn has less and less of public hunting, more land purchased by the rich, and less opportunities for younger hunters to enjoy hunting, I think restricting people, will have less hunters in the future!
1234	I think the way non residents have to draw for archery licenses is grossly unfair
1235	Thanks
1236	Please cap nonresident archery tags and continue to restrict nonresident to an October first start date for archery deer on public land. Thanks
1237	I have hunted the BH,s for 50 years. The quality of deer is good. You are doing a good job managing the herds in SD. Thank you. The old requirement of a fork on one side should be permanent. It helped the bucks to be better.
1238	Even as a non resident I appreciate the effort to make the hunting experience better for your residents
1239	Let the deer license go to the residents before selling to non residents. Haven't got a black hills tag for 2 years and live in the hills, was a tradition in our family to hunt in the hills until you introduced the draw and not drawing tags
1240	Less deer every year.
1241	The requirement to purchase a archery license is way to early.

1242	I believe the deer population in this state has been well managed. Ample deer to provide hunters with opportunity. Given the success rate of Archery vs Rifle hunting, selling more Archery tags will increase SD revenue, and not dramatically affect the population or access to public land. Archery hunters are typically more respectful of property, and less destructive, with less need to large wide open spaces. Thank you.
1243	Stop shooting the mule does both archery and mentor tags
1244	Allow GF&P to purchase more land.
1245	keep things mostly the same.
1246	N/A
1247	The biggest problem for archery in the black hills is starting youth deer so early. Early shooting spooks deer and makes bucks disappear early. Oct. 1 would be plenty early for youth deer to start in the black hills. They would still have a month before all gun hunters. Also, there is not a good population of deer in the black hills because we are still harvesting to many does. The only place we have a lot of deer is in the cities and subdivisions. Quit killing does with gun or bow for as many years as it takes to increase populations. To increase revenue simply offer more buck tags.
1248	Don't mess with a good thing! You should keep things pretty much as it is now. Archery hunters are good sportsmen and should have the opportunity to get out and hunt!
1249	As a non resident female archery hunter, I love the opportunity to come out without restrictions to enjoy the beautiful landscape that SD has to offer. My father was born and raised at Fort Meade and my uncle still lives in Sturgis today. I also have many cousins that live there and hunt with us when we come out. Hunting gives our families time to come together and spend quality time enjoying the outdoors. When we come out, we not only hunt, but spend time enjoying many tourist and local spots. So, not only are we pouring our finances into an archery license, but we are helping to boost the economy while there. Please consider leaving the archery hunting licensure program untouched, so that we can continue to visit and enjoy the land and wildlife experience that SD has to offer. Thank you!
1250	There are deer that never leave our land where they use to leave in the spring and return in late fall around frost. This is not the case anymore. Due to deer pressure I've lost over 4k in vegetable garden products over the last 3 summers.
1251	I still very much believe that archery hunters must pass an archery safety course before being able to hunt archery. I wonder if removing that requirement has increased the availability of archery tags. I would like to see that requirement come back. That, by default, would limit the number of tags without actually restricting tags.
1252	Hardly ever see another archery hunter on public land see a lot more on private.
1253	I am a nonresident would be archery deer hunter in SD. I would hunt archery deer in the Black Hills if I could hunt on public land when buying a tag after Sept 1st. The rule SD has that non-residents buying an archery tag after March 1st restricts them to private land ONLY. That rule makes no sense to me. I think SD is missing out on good revenue that can go back into SD wildlife. It's hard enough to draw a rifle deer Black Hills and West River tag in SD. Being able to purchase a SD archery tag thats legal on public lands after knowing the outcome of the rifle draw would be great.\Thanks,\-Derek
1254	Make it harder for nonresidents to get an archery tag.
1255	It seems that the dual tag system (east river and west river tags available) tends to work to the advantage of those in the central part of the state who can easily hunt both areas. If there is a concern about too much demand created by an increasing number of archers, the obvious place to start would be to reduce hunting opportunities to just one per person. That would be one tag, good for both sides of the river. \\I am deeply invested in maintaining my ability to continue archery hunting every year. I don't need two tags...just the ability to get out there every year. If losing the ability to get two tags for some prolongs that capability, I'm in favor of eliminating the current two-tag system.
1256	Please cut down on out-of-state tag holders before in-state.
1257	There's no reason a primitive only muzzle loading season can't run during the early archery season.

1258	As for out-of-state hunters they apply at many different states that have restricted tags and if they do not receive a tag from those states they always fall back on South Dakota because there's unlimited amount of tags so they're always guaranteed a spot in South Dakota. I would like to see this more regulated to allow more in-state hunters the opportunity to hunt mule deer and some Whitetail. As for Whitetail there are areas that seem over populated with deer .
1259	I have 14 non-resident preference points for Back Hills deer . I am 72 yrs. old , I hope to live long enough to hunt the BH again. All deer licenses should be limited draw with a quota.
1260	do away with archery seasons altogether. Bows are legal during rifle seasons. the idea that archery is somehow "primitive" is absurd--modern compound bows more resemble a vertical crossbow than a recurve or longbow. If we have special archery seasons, then longbows and recurve bows should be the only option.
1261	In my opinion the no.has gone up is because there have been less draw rifle tags... hunters want to hunt...that's the fact so the no draw archery is where they go..we've cut all the trees west river and left no place for deer to hide...so less deer and less tags...it now takes a resident 2 years to draw a BH hills tag...so where do they go.... Archery...I don't know the answer.....but something needs to be done
1262	Haven't had a hills license for four years yet nonresidents can get one
1263	Reduce nonresident tag fees.
1264	The whole apply for tag by April or only allowed to hunt private land. That should be thrown out. Bow hunting is backup for not getting a rifle tag. So that can still come spend time with my family. Tying up alot money being nonresident, in hopes that dont change rules on getting refund on bow tag, if also draw a rifle tag. Also since restricted point system I have yet to be able to draw a rifle tag . My family instate, he has also yet to get a rifle tag since redone the point system.
1265	Archery deer start needs to be October 1st to many people interfering with Archery elk to many non residents getting tags and hunting mule deer in the rut in the hills driving around and shooting off the roads lots of atv traffic it's disappointing Thank You
1266	What's the meaning of Non-residents to apply/pay for an archery deer license in April to hunt public land? Other than revenue.
1267	As far as mule deer go, the number of landowner tags given is too many from the "buddy" system that seems to drive SDGFP management instead of actual conservatism. I've also seen over the vast amount of years as both resident and non resident the immature mule deer that are taken just bc that what was right there. Seems like a maturity or point restriction could help this. I say both, because I have seen mature 5-7 year old fork horn mulies that will never be anything more, so solely point restriction wouldn't cover that. It also seems that if people are gaining land permit tags, that tag should only be good for their property and then they can apply like everyone else for the draw tags, this should be for all species of deer, antelope, and elk. White tail Managment could also be better, the state acquired the 27L unit and ran it into the dirt with their low land pheasants forever and over population of white tailed deer that essentially pushed most of the mule deer out of the area. At this point, this essentially is a rant because we know that most opinions or ideas won't be considered and myself and hundreds of other hunters I know in SD have the same opinion in which the SDGFP makes it's decisions on the "buddy" system and where they can make the most money regardless of true management. Antelope, mule deer, and pheasants have all declined heavily and steadily due to poor management practices.
1268	I'm still a nonresident, but still call SD home. Born and raised and hunting deer in the Black Hills since age twelve. I haven't missed a season since 1960. An archery tag has always assured that I have the opportunity to hunt. Many "hunters" apply for as many tags that they can get, that eventually results in a stressed resource and a lost opportunity for everyone to enjoy a fall hunt. The old days of walking into a store and buying a deer tag right up to the last day of the season are long gone. The minimum time for me to draw a firearms tag in the Hills has now gone to three years. AND the new nonresident requirement of having to apply for an archery tag in early spring means I will potentially end up with an archery tag and a firearms tag when I just want the opportunity to hunt. I seldom harvest a deer these days, restricting my method to bow or flintlock muzzle loader, bucks only. I just want the opportunity to hunt and there are enough restrictions now.

1269	I hunt black hills archery as a non resident. My family lives and owns a ranch in the hills. I have enjoyed being able to purchase a archery license until the refs changed. I request that the black hill archery tags not be restricted. It is a great way for South Dakota to generate revenue and not have a great impact on deer herd. I don't know the exact number, but am guessing that successful harvest rate is around 15%. I request that application time be moved to August. I enjoy visiting and hunting with my family. When I can't get a tag South Dakota loses out on myself or other nonresident purchases of groceries, gas, hotels and supplies.
1270	More units would restrict the ability to hunt in different areas. e.g. Black Hills (Resident) couldn't go to the prairie, and vice versa.
1271	I am against the new bow hunters coming into the scene and complaining about EVERYTHING that the game and fish does. I am fine with the way that things are! I think the state should not bow down and allow these groups to change the way the game and fish have been running these archery seasons for the state for many, many, years! The State should not change the way things are for the citizens' interests, only, for Biological reasons! Don't change things from the way they are now!
1272	Nearly every archery out of state hunter is coming to our state to hunt mule deer. Mule deer numbers need to be more protected than whitetails. They just do not bounce back like whitetails do. Out of state hunters have a much higher success rate than instate hunters as well, thus leading to more young mule deer bucks being shot. Standards for these out of state hunters are lower. We need to curb this somehow. Either increase the \$ for these tags, or Limit the amount of any deer out of state tags available. Have some whitetail only out of state tags available for out of state hunters. \Mule deer in this state are a precious commodity thst we need to protect. Many friends of line have seen Mature mule deer numbers decline in specific areas in the black hills specifically to out of state hunting parties (their neighbors so l'm not making this up). \In state archery tags are fine the way they are, I feel the problem is mostly the out of state unlimited ability to target mule deer. \Please call me to talk if you want!; thanks for your time!
1273	Change season dates to run through the end of January. It was a nice idea to open the season Sep 1st, but its just too warm. Because of climate change, Sep is supposed to continue to get warmer.
1274	This might be off topic but...the number of ATVs on the back roads of the Black Hills is terrible. It is nearly impossible to hunt a y season with these people screaming up a trail. I know trails close in December, but it would be nice to have piece and quiet during some time during the archery season
1275	Please make your website easier to use. I had to call Pierre the last two years and your agents were swamped.
1276	Improve access to public lands. Landlocked public areas should be made accessible to the public.\Restrict the number of nonresident archery hunters. Public lands in western SD have too much pressure generated by nonresidents.
1277	None
1278	Make the Black Hills a separate unit, outside of the West River unit.
1279	GFP should raise prices on out of state license across the board. We are substantially cheaper than nearby states for big game. \Also, there should be a window for archery hunters to get a chance before non-residents come hunting like we do with public land pheasant hunting. Possibly start the non-residents on September 15th instead of September 1st.
1280	Go back to closing Archery during rifle. And limiting archery any deer for one tag good for East and West. No more dual tags Unless they're doe.
1281	I personally think a any deer permit should include 2 deer per licence to control the population number.
1282	I have not run into any significant hunting pressure while archery hunting in the Black Hills or Stanley Co.
1283	I hunt later in the year (November), and I've never even seen another bow hunter at that time.
1284	Having to apply for a over the counter archery tag, before applying for a limited number gun tag, makes no sense to me. Being a nonresident, I would love to spend more time than a week in your beautiful state, but don't have the time or money to travel there for more than one deer hunt. If I don't draw a gun tag, I would be more than happy to get a over the counter archery tag, but that option is no longer available. Please make that option available like it was in the past. Thank you!

1285	Quality of deer is not there because of greed . . .
1286	How in the ##### would I know if an archery hunter was after Mule Deer or Whitetail and whether he was a resident or non resident??
1287	Do not allow archery hunting of any kind (with an archery tag) in any unit that has an active big game rifle season going on. Archery hunters are so plentiful now, they really detract from the experience of rifle hunters that are trying hunt. Example: archery hunting in cave hills units during elk seasons (it can take years for someone to draw an elk tag, it can be ruined by too many archery hunters). GFP needs to do a lot more to reduce hunting pressure on public lands.
1288	Love my dear!
1289	Leave everything as it is. We get a good system going then you want to change it. Keep changing and making it harder for hunters to get tags and we will probably start seeing a drop in hunters. That not what we want.
1290	Raise price for nonresidentâ€™s
1291	Iâ€™ve been archery hunting deer for over 40 years and regardless how many archery hunters hunt, the success rate is still low. Many archery hunters only hunt a few times so why change anything.
1292	In the public areas I hunt in SW South Dakota there has been an increasing number of out of state archery hunters for both mule deer and pronghorns. I have hunted this area for 50 years and it has been readily apparent in the past 10 years. It is because of multimedia coverage noting the ease of attaining archery tags in South Dakota and the availability of public lands for those hunts. I have observed both species being pushed across the state line into Wyoming because of this pressure. Before this type of media coverage, there was little such hunting pressure on those public lands.
1293	Nonresident hunters as well as east river hunters are all after the â€œbigâ€• mule deer and end up shooting small bucks that have â€œpotential â€œ. I also hate seeing mule deer does being shot regardless of archery or rifle seasons.
1294	Stop out of state hunters from hunting South Dakota. Why would u want to limit our residents to a archery tag, archery hunting is hard enough, all you are going to do is stop local/resident hunters from hunting. We have to wait to many years to draw a rifle tag now this ?? I hope this isnâ€™t because some guys cant find good deer to hunt ? I do my home work every year to be able to harvest a deer with my bow.
1295	Covid (free time/stuck at home/working from home/etc) is CERTAINLY to blame for more people getting archery tags in 2021. This is an overreaction and the pumped up (Covid) data should not be used as an excuse to limit archery hunters options. I hunt 25 to 35 days per year on public land and rarely see anyone else. Whatâ€™s more, the success rate for archers is VERY minimal. Most of the time it is less than 15% success rates for archery. Please do not make this state as crappy as all the other onesâ€™because the fact that I can hunt two bucks per year is the ONLY reason I live here. I have only harvested two bucks 5 or 6 times in 27 years, but just getting to be out there is GOLD.
1296	Limit the use and access of off road vehicles on our public lands, utv and 4 wheelers have taken away all my enjoyment of hunting in the black hills. Let's do the right thing and be good stewards of this land so my children and future generations don't have their hunting experience taken away. Stop the mentor program. Let's go back to the days when kids learned ethics and respect for the outdoors and wildlife from a responsible adult by going through a hunter safety course
1297	South Dakota needs to start managing archery hunters just like most western states already do.
1298	Too many non resident hunters Time to do something,
1299	If someone applies for archery whether private or public grounds give them a tag.

1300	Wondering if giving the option for one deer tag. This tag can be used in the archery season. If unsuccessful before rifle season. Then the tag can be used in the rifle season.\\I myself do apply for several deer tags, but really only need one or two deer a year. Not the four or five tags I am buying each year now.\\The reason I buy so many tags is I never know when I will be able to go. Archery gives me the longest opportunity. That season does get more difficult to fill a tag once the rifle season starts or muzzle season has opened.\\If I could buy just one tag and that tag could be used by any weapon during those season dates until a legal animal has been harvested.I would surely do that.
1301	The black hills should be its own unit. You should be able to apply for either a east river, west river, or black hills archery tag and there should be a set number of tags just like every other big game animal. The deer population is so overly hunted in the black hills that if something doesn't change in the next 10 years there won't be anything left for you to exploit.
1302	Over crowding is not an issue. I do all my archery hunting in black hills and do not hardly see any other hunters. On another subject o appreciate the youth and mentored licensing but think the season is way too long and they should only get the license for a couple years limited to 1 doe each season. I believe they can get a license for youth til age 18. I believe once they are 12 they need to apply for regular draw like I always did and then maybe if they don't draw have option in areas with higher doe population to get a doe tag and hunt with family or mentor. Other than that great job! Lived in south dakota my whole life and live the opportunity to hunt each year. I do not want archery season for deer to ever go to a draw because as hard as it is to draw hills and west river deer tags I can always be happy hunting archery and love it.
1303	Please don't start doing a drawing for archery license. If I don't get a gun license I can always count on getting an archery license. It doesn't mean that I end up shooting a deer but at least I have the opportunity to go out hunting. If you're going to make restrictions cut out all the non-resident license. Let the residents of South Dakota enjoy South Dakota outdoors.
1304	I'm not sure what the GF&P has in mind for bow hunting but if they plan to start doing a lottery for archery then I would suggest no more out of state tags before residents are restricted. And if GF&P still wants to restrict then I would suggest 1 statewide tag for archery or reducing rifle tags more in certain areas. I am also not a fan of archery season starting as early as it does.
1305	I would like to see hunters using decoys be 100 yards from property lines. Not right that we raise the deer all year on pvt land and they set up on a fence line and expect to retrieve the deer when it runs back to its home. Land owner only archery tags?? W doe tags? To mang a bit as I donâ€™t let others go running around my property hunting deer and chase em off my land.
1306	Please reduce the number of limited access permits for the Custer National Forest land in Harding County. I realize this means I reduce my chances of hunting there as often, but itâ€™s a trophy unit for a reason. Please manage it accordingly.
1307	No more state wide tags. No more non resident mule deer tags. Make residents choose, whitetail or mule deer. Try doing units but no leftover tags.
1308	Bow should have a limited draw also like rifle
1309	Cap Non resident archery tags
1310	ban crossbows
1311	Stop trying to make hunting and outdoor sports so economical. Reduce or eliminate nonresident hunters like elk seasons.
1312	Have GFP plant more food plots on State and Federal game production areas. The present land on these areas is overgrown with grass and do little for game a good food plot would entice more game from adjoining lands and provide more hunters with more big and small game to hunt. On Parks lands it wold provide more wildlife viewing opportunities. A real plus for year around Park users. As a side note use adjoining landowners to farm some of the idle acres that havenâ€™t been tilled,mowed or sprayed for many years. It might also take care of some of the noxious weeds on these public areas . Thanks for the opportunity to comment. Law enforcement doesnâ€™t produce game good land management does!

1313	The system you have going now seems to be working just fine
1314	Deuel and Brookings counties are so lucky to have Jeff Grandler and Logan Hammer as GFP officers. Their training to get who they are is really awesome. Friendly-polite-always answered calls and responsive. Just don't mistake their kindness for weakness or I will get a surprise. I hope u get them a big pat on the back. \Thank you
1315	Stop archery season a few days before rifle! It's crap on some of these publics when you're just scouting the edge and there's archery hunters pushing deer off the night before season. Atleast close it 2 days before and the first 2 days of opener on public land.
1316	I feel like guided hunts should not be allowed on public land. They have the time and money to plan for private land.
1317	Need to give preference to state residents over non-residents
1318	there is more than enough public land to support the number of hunters. I rarely see other archery hunters when I'm hunting... now mountain bikers I see plenty of them!
1319	It took me 5 years to get a hills tag , my friend has 25 years for elk tag, we've lived in the black hills all our life and we can't get tags why
1320	I know of a number of young hunters who have taken up archery hunting recently. That could be a fair portion of the increase. And that's always been a desired goal, if you believe what's said.
1321	Elk numbers on our property east of Custer have become nonexistent. Our deer population has diminished to where we see a few does, no fawns and very few bucks. And our turkey population is almost depleted. Why? If we have Game, Fish and Parks, where is the Game management portion of this department? South Dakota is very generous with the number of licenses issued to both residents and non-residents, but obviously, very little money is expended in the management of those game resources.
1322	This is 100% a Non-Resident pressure issue with an overall Mule Deer harvest issue (in specific areas). The non-residents are totally unlimited and can hunt all over the state. They overcrowd several areas as well as pay big money and encourage leasing and outfitting.\\If you look at the mule deer harvest, it's clear they are targeting and taking a far higher percentages than residents.\\Put a cap and draw on all NR permits at the appropriate level of resident tags sold. Say 8-10% or something close. I would also make the black hills a true limited entry unit like the Custer national forest. The mule deer take by both resident and non-resident Bowhunters is way to high. Especially considering Bowhunters can hunt the hills every year. While a resident rifle hunter gets that any deer tag about once a decade.\\Cap and draw for out of staters and protect the mule deer appropriately
1323	September archery for Non-Residents. We put in the time scouting with boots on the ground and e- scouting. Another words we put in the work. Residents seem upset that NR are hunting their spots when in truth they just see a vehicle parked on the road and are unwilling to actually spot and stalk and choose to drive and spot and maybe stalk if it's within their 100 yard window. NR are paying over double for less opportunities on OUR public lands. Give us the same chances \\Thanks
1324	Whatever you do to reduce archery deer hunters, do it in the simplest way possible. Your licensing system for big game has gotten out of control and is way too complicated. You really need to start simplifying things.
1325	I am 65 years old and have obtained a crossbow permit due to tendinitis. I am required to renew the permit to often and this is a burden on me and my doctor. If someone has a medical condition that is not going to change, could you offer a lifetime permit. I also would like to see you allow anyone over 65 to be able to bow hunt with a crossbow. This really would not significantly change the number of hunters and might help some older people be able to continue to hunt.
1326	I still prefer a system where the hunter must chose his first choice of hunting deer, apply for that preferred season ONLY in first round of applications. If the hunter wishes further opportunity, they can apply for leftover tags in the 2nd and 3rd draws. Right now, my only desire is to archery hunt ANY deer on my own (family) property. Try to take that away from me and we will have a problem.
1327	The public access archery hunting start date should be the same as the private access start date--September 1st.

1328	Crossbows should be allowed for hunters above a certain age without restrictions.
1329	It seems like the only tag I can get is archery deer! I will be very cross if that changes!
1330	Many of the above questions no longer apply to the way I hunt deer. As a former SD resident I used to hunt mostly private land. Now I am a non resident and hunt on our own property in the black hills for whitetail. I seldom encounter other hunters in the areas that I hunt and my weapon is usually a long bow or recurve so my methods differ from most hunters. \My BIGGEST frustration with the current system is that I must apply for a license by the end of March if I am to hunt on public land near our property. Many times our schedule is not clear that far in advance to decide if we can make it out to the black hills.
1331	One antlerless deer permit per hunter is more than enough.
1332	Access permit kept me from hunting forest service, behind my house where I was planning to hunt, last year so I did not hunt. Didn't know this existed and purchased the tag late in season. Wasted money. At least I know now at my expense.
1333	Why do we have the cheapest out of state tags in the country?
1334	As your statistics show the number of non-residents have increased by 88% to residents increase of 21%. That statistic would indicate that we need to limit non-residents licenses numbers to allow for a more balanced resident to non-resident ratio. \ GF&P have been doing this in the past by limiting Rifle permits for non-residents to a 8% cap that same % cap should be placed on archery non-residents licenses. That would be in addition to access permits and application/season rules that are currently being used.\ In the past I have hunted in one of the access permit areas quite often and I (a resident hunter) felt like I was being crowded out by the larger number of non-residents coming into the area, reading license plates it was a ratio of about 8 non-residents to 1 residents. The hunting experience and number of mule deer in my opinion was dwindling. Your own statistics indicate non-residents take more Mule Deer per number of hunters than the Residents take.\ I feel as most people in Iowa and other states that I have talked to that the residents of those states should have a better opportunity/experience on their home State's hunting opportunities. Outfitters in our state should have no problem with the needed changes to improve the hunting quality as do the surrounding states outfitters that deal with their own states limitations.\ The cost of non-residents licenses should also be increased ether by a reciprocating agreement on what their state's non-resident costs are or a across the board price increase. I apply to hunt in Deer in Iowa and I need 3 or 4 preferences at \$50 each to get a non-resident license by the time I draw that tag I have close to \$700 in a non-resident license with the other non-resident fees involved. If non-resident hunters really want to hunt here they will pay the fees involved and draw a Archery Deer license in a lottery system as I do in Iowa.\ I think the GF&P need to limit Non-Resident Archery Licenses to the 8% of the previous years Resident tags and continue the current access limitations. Also with a increase on the tag costs for Non-Residents licenses. After a reasonable amount of years to study that changes effect on the Deer (Whitetail and Mule Deer) the GF&P can make the adjustments needed. \Thank you for including me on this survey, I will be hoping for a positive outcome and be involved if needed.\#####
1335	We have too many out of state hunters now. It's hard enough to find land to hit on then you get there and a college student from Minn. Iowa. Nebraska. Going to school in S. D. Are there. There's not enough public land for residents to hunt if you can't get on private. Thanks for your time.
1336	There is to many out of state archery hunters competing with residents. Cut the number in half.
1337	I bow hunt the Custer National Forest and the rest of Harding and Perkins county. First of all I do not believe we are only selling 5 thousand and some non resident tags. In the three years I have had the access permit I have never seen a conservation officer. But I have seen a lot of non resident hunters hunting a unit that only allows 125 non resident hunters. I used to bow hunt Sand Lake Waterfowl refuge but the number of Minnesota and Wisconsin hunters up there is absurd. Something needs to be done because very few residents hunt public land.
1338	I am a non resident hunter that has hunted SD rifle and archery for 30+ years and I GREATLY APPRECIATE the opportunity!\Thank you!\#####

1339	Non-resident hunters come in very large groups to hunt public land. They use a bully tactic of parking their vehicles at every entry point of a public land area even if they are not hunting that particular area. DO NOT ALLOW NONRESIDENT ARCHERY HUNTERS IN SAND LAKE, LACREEK, WAUBAY OR ANY OF THE WILDLIFE REFUGES. They ruin it for residents. I personally will not be purchasing an archery license this year. Because of the harassment my hunting buddy and I receive every year we try to hunt there.
1340	Sell archery only tags to anyone who applies right up to the date the season starts. Do not require anyone to purchase earlier than the season start date to hunt public or private. Keep the tags "any deer." • Maintain areas of limited draws for hunters who like the opportunity to hunt less pressured areas. Thank you for the opportunity to give my input to this process! I love the opportunity to hunt South Dakota's public and private accessible lands.
1341	I've seen the buck quality decline a bit. Where I used to see a handful of mature bucks in a week's hunt is getting to be slim pickings. The mule deer numbers are declining fast along the Missouri River and possibly other places, too. It's nice that SD has been an opportunity state for mule deer, but hunters coming from the east are "filling" their tags just to take something home, even if it is a tiny buck. I think either a point restriction and limiting the number of nonresident archery tags would improve things. Make it OTC but with a quota of licenses that go on sale in June. First come first serve. Just like Idaho does with its OTC general tags.
1342	Archery is a great sport unlike 800yrd rifle shots and all the bells and whistles to do a 1000yrd shot! It's crap in my eyes. Because bows are way better than they have ever been and way more accurate now the rifle hunters are mad because more people bow hunt and are doing good!! Don't know what to say to ya other than I've been bowhunting for 33 years and have always fought for land ,and if we miss one single year on private it will be taken by a fellow hunter or someone will pay \$ to hunt..I truly hope it never goes to a draw system but if it does I will quit the one passion I have!! Love deer in there natural state not running from every thing that moves for there lives during rifle season! Please please listen to the original bow hunters!! Thank uou
1343	Non resident archery hunting should be limited to a set number of any tags and be lottery based for non resident hunters for the whole state
1344	Don't worry about all of the crybabies in this state. Managers need to do what's right for the resource and think about fair and equitable use. This can keeps getting kicked down the road and the commission has made dumb decisions because they didn't want to address the issue. Nonresidents can hunt the entire season on private land but not on public?! It takes 10+ years to get an any deer rifle tag in the Black Hills but archery hunters can hunt mule deer there every year?! Just a couple examples of nonsense. Mature mule deer buck numbers have absolutely been affected by archery deer hunters as well as the early hunt dates. And Gfp promotes the ##### out of archery hunting and wonders why we're in this situation. Promote shooting sports and small game hunting like you do archery and maybe you'll get those numbers back.
1345	My perspective comes as a 30 year veteran of NR archery hunting in SD. I have been a member of the South Dakota Bowhunters for several years now and have noticed a definite increase in the negativity towards the NR bowhunters. The statistics and percentages used in the arguments for restricting NR bowhunters are not necessarily being stated fairly. \ \While the percentage increase in NR can be shown as a shocking 87%, the increase in actual NR licenses was exactly 50%of the 5430 additional resident licenses sold. So if I'm looking at this correctly, 2 out of 3 "additional" bowhunters would be residents. \ \That being said, at some point there will be a need to control hunter numbers. Regarding a lottery NR license system, many ranchers and and outfitters would certainly be be harmed by an overly restrictive license allocation such as the one proposed by SDBI. Could there be a reasonable landowner/outfitter license system included along with a straightforward point based lottery system?
1346	Shorten the seasons. Let's get the game numbers back up.
1347	Allow Crossbow use by SD citizens over the age of 62 during the archery season, similar to the state of Minnesota
1348	I would like to see a draw system se in place for Non Resident archery hunters with a cap on licenses for them. Residents would still be unlimited but restrict the non resident. Up Resident licenses cost to offset the lost revenue.

1349	Limit the number of nonresident tags and increase the price
1350	Need limited draw for nonresidents
1351	To at least maintain some level of satisfaction from/for non-resident bowhunters, consider breaking up the hunting season into time periods similar to the way the 5 and 10-day blocks of time for pheasant hunters is administered. This might help maintain the number of non-resident hunters that are interested in bowhunting SD (not to mention the revenue they generate) while providing other deer management opportunities. Residents should have the entire season to hunt when and where they want to (within, of course, the parameters of your deer management strategy)... just goes with the territory (in which we choose to live) in my opinion.
1352	I have been archery hunting in the Newton Hills area for about 25 years and just recently quit hunting there because of too many hunters in the area. If you can even call them hunters the lack of knowledge, skills and tactics these so-called hunters have is sad at least and disrespectful to myself and my father who has been a lifelong hunter there for 50 years. Sorry but if they don't know what they are doing they shouldn't be there. Also, with the Newton Hills area better access points on the west end of the park and or public side would be nice for age and mobility reasons for my father. He nearly had 2 heart attacks while hiking out in the winter from the park side. And that just happens to be where the good areas for hunting are. Thanks, hope I could help some. Sorry about all the negativity.
1353	For 20 years I have very much appreciated the current existing archery opportunities here at home South Dakota. Other states with complicated restrictive draws are not attractive to my wife and I whatsoever.... please keep our South Dakota archery as is for the most part....thank you.
1354	Less nonresident tags all around.no doe tags at all. Do to deer diseases
1355	Hunter numbers will ebb and flow naturally, as will public land hunter dispersement. If pieces of public land receive too much pressure, the game will leave the area, as will the hunters. Restricting hunter access to public land is simply another example of over governance. We are getting too worked up about a slight increase in hunting pressure, the real issue at hand is decreased private land hunting access, forcing hunters strictly to public land. Creating more private land access, though difficult, is the best solution. Tag numbers is a whole different subject. Tag allocation should be set by biology and close examination of carrying capacity, not public perception. It is clear a disproportionate number of game is taken off public land, as opposed to private land. However hunter opportunity altogether shouldn't be capped simply due to high public land hunting pressure. Hunters experiencing high public land pressure will naturally disperse, just as previously mentioned. If the true issue at hand is overhunting of the state's mule deer population, addressing that issue independently is the answer, not handicapping other hunting opportunities to fix the mule deer issue. A proposed solution could be capping mule deer harvest in certain counties by implementing a quota and requiring real time reporting on harvest of mule deer in those counties. Please don't make changes to deer hunting opportunities in South Dakota with a band aid solution that doesn't directly resolve the issue at hand.
1356	I think we have more nonresident hunters now that the season opens earlier. This brought in and influx of nonresident hunters wanting to harvest velvet deer, more specifically velvet mule deer.
1357	The opening of rifle deer one week earlier in the past really hurt my success. Shot 70% of my deer during Thanksgiving break.
1358	none at the current time
1359	give land owners more free options for hunting on their own land !!
1360	I understand you want more access to Resident Hunters but Non Resident Archery Hunters generate a lot of revenue to pay for habitat, access and management programs. \As a born & raised native SD resident and now being a non resident, I really appreciate being able to now buy a landowner East River Tag Deer gun tag (please keep that in place). \As for my West River Archery hunting, I really miss being able to hunt on public land in September in Harding County (adjacent to my college buddies ranch), I wish you would open that back up. I understand residents are pushing back on the number of non-resident hunters and want early season public land privileges for being a tax paying resident, but maybe you could offer these special access permits as "purchase" for September lottery and keep the non paid post September access permits?

1361	<p>I hunt archery mules in harding, I have seen a total of 4 other hunters on foot where we hunt in the past decade! Too many hunt from their truck, and complain there is no deer and want to limit other hunters instead of putting in the work. Deer numbers have been steady to increasing every year. The access permits in 35l is nothing more than a prejudice against non residents. By the looks of the tag numbers it has no limiting affect on residents, but cuts non residents out by about half. I have been buying nonresident tags in South Dakota for around twenty years, and I'm not the only one. Why should we get curtailed just because others are unwilling to get out of their trucks. Even if you wanted to believe numbers are down, look at the harvest data, it's not nonresident archery hunters devastating the mulie herds. \It's a hit job on gfp's biggest archery income because some one in power has decided we are unwelcome. I can't figure this one out logically. If anyone is actually reading this and can explain it to me my number is #####. Our outdoors are precious, please don't take them from me or my up and coming hunters. \Thank you,\#####</p>
1362	<p>permit numbers should be allocated according to deer population but any decline in permit numbers should first come from non resident permits</p>
1363	<p>I feel that something that gets heavily overlooked for archery is that lots of orb trails are open during the early parts of the season. Not only early timesâ€¦ I feel that even for rifle there need to be more trail/ road closers that access deeper areas. Most archery hunters are ok with putting in the effort and time to get somewhere remote just to have an orv come flying through. I feel once any hunting season is open that would utilize said trails or areas, the trails/orv trails should be gated and shut down as well.</p>
1364	<p>Newton Hills, My wife and I had the worst experience in my 30 years of archery hunting. Guys dragging deer out of the woods while beer in hand being loud. Then they drove 200 yards past the parking area and loaded deer in truck while blasting the radio. This area needs to have half or less as many limited access permits. The CO should spend more time here. My wife will never apply for the permit again due to this particular experience. I was appalled, I literally walked almost the entire park and it seems like there is a tree stand every 100-200 yards. Furthermore they are probably still there, no one is removing the stands as per the book.</p>
1365	<p>Non-resident archery hunters than own property in South Dakota should have same privileges for private land as a resident archery hunter and at the same license cost</p>
1366	<p>Get rid of the early buying of license to hunt public land</p>
1367	<p>I think it's great that the number of archery hunters have increased!!! Archery hunting isn't easy, and I hope the next generation of hunters enjoy the challenge as much as I do!!!</p>
1368	<p>make so hunters 80 and older can use crass bows for archery season</p>
1369	<p>There are to many non resident tags being given out. Since it is so hard to get an elk tag in this state we shouldnâ€™t be given out non resident deer tags so the residents have something to hunt. They should also make a couple more archery only hunting places so hunters with children starting to hunt have a chance at harvesting a deer. Itâ€™s tough to find a good spot in the hills where you could take a youth and get a decent deer</p>
1370	<p>Bring back the Slum Butteâ€™s to open access. The restrictions for the last few years have sucked.</p>
1371	<p>Get rid of the deadline for nonresidents applying for public lands.</p>
1372	<p>It is clear that South Dakota is trying to push out non resident archery hunters. We are treated like garbage although we bring in money to the local economy. The change in application dates is terrible. My family and I have hunted in SD for years, but have had enough. Your plan is working.</p>
1373	<p>Even if we need to charge more, I think itâ€™s important to regulate tags to promote big buck opportunities. Especially on large tracts of state ground that could be marketed as a special opportunity tags. Something that sought after and helps eliminate the chances of an individual driving long distance to have a piece of property only to find out that itâ€™s overrun with Hunters</p>
1374	<p>Iâ€™ve been archery hunting deer for over twenty years in SD, almost always on private land. The only problem has been the skyrocketing cost of the tags. It has forced me to typically just get an antlerless tag. Having been born and raised in SD, I enjoy returning to hunt with family and friends. It would be nice if there were a reduced price option for native South Dakotans.</p>

1375	I own and hunt my own private land that I have greatly enhanced by planting 35,000 trees and restoring 5 wetlands. I live 7 miles from my property which happens to be 3 miles into Minnesota. I purchase a non-resident archery license to hunt my own land despite paying over \$6,000.00 in South Dakota property taxes. I greatly resent the movement of some SD residents to totally block my recreational hunting on my own property by limiting license availability. I am tempted to allow only non-residents access to my property if these limits occur or perhaps sell my land to the local Indian Tribe if I can no longer hunt there.
1376	Would like to return to the over the counter license application. Something needs to be done about the disposing of carcasses. It's hard to find reputable meat processors because of this.
1377	Do more to help the herd through the winter
1378	It is hard to know how many guys are targeting a specific species (mule or whitetail) without talking to them while in the field. South Dakota has a unique thing going where you can still buy an over-the-counter tag and have a quality opportunity. I hunt multiple western states and really enjoy that I also can spend money in South Dakota with an over-the-counter tag if I don't draw somewhere else. The point system in most western states is a slippery slope and have been worried about when this survey would come. Your increase in applicants will continue to grow as it gets harder to draw other western states. Very seldom do I run into another hunter in South Dakota with a bow on public ground, maybe a couple guys a year. I will say that I have been applying for a rifle tag in the state and what I could draw with 2 points a few years ago now has increased to 5 points. This is just the start of the point creep overflow from other states. If you do go to point system, I would prefer the state to charge the full price of the tag at time of application. The problem that I have seen in most western draws is the ability to buy a point for < \$100 (depending on state) which has allowed everybody to buy a point and flood the system. I think if you have to pay full price upfront and get refund if you don't draw forces people to commit to the hunt or have some skin in the game so to speak, not just be the trendy thing to do. I can personally tell you that I have over 10 points in multiple other western states. I have already decided that when I draw tags for those states, I will be done hunting there. Point creep has gotten way out of hand and the amount of time it takes to get a tag may put me at an age that I may never draw again. I am just glad that I started hunting out of state over 20 years ago and got to experience what I did. I personally believe the current setup that South Dakota has with applying for a tag/permit to hunt public ground is good and if you are looking to reduce numbers, I would rather pay a much higher tag fee than go to a point system. The state would have less hassle with point systems, refunds and need for a larger workforce. I would think it would balance out as far as what the state would make and would limit the number of hunters. I personally would pay double to triple the current tag price for an any deer archery tag if it stayed at the current application process. I feel that it all boils down to the money in the end and the state will gravitate towards whatever puts the most in the bank. Thanks for allowing me to state my opinion!
1379	There should be no mule deer lic. In the black hills. I've been in the hills my whole life. It's difficult to even see a mile deer. They need to be left alone for several years to repopulate. White tail are numerous even with the diseases we've encountered. Out of state lic should be few and far between. For all game. The population has grown so much that we are having so many more resident licenses. We need to care for our own first. Pheasant as well. Limited lic for out of state for a few year. We need to bring back the population to world war 2 numbers. We fed troops with the pheasant population. We couldn't even consider that now.
1380	Please do not restrict private land hunts. If there are any additional restrictions placed, please have an exemption for resident and non-resident landowners on their own land. If needed, additional restrictions should be placed on public land only. Thank you.
1381	Give nonresident South Dakota landowners the opportunity to buy a gun buck license. Ridiculous that a person that owns property in your state can't get buck tag for gun hunting.
1382	Consider leaving the license options as they are statewide, east and west river, but reduce the total number of licenses available to the number sold the year crowding complaints began to spike and cap nonresidents to no more than 10% of licenses sold. For example, if crowding complaints started to rise in 2017 and 25,000 licenses were sold, then the new cap is 25,000 licenses available to lottery draw and no more than 2500 for nonresident draw.

1383	GF&P&€™s has totally ruined all the other deer hunting options. Please do not ruin this one also. My children have allready given up on hunting because they cannot get a tag. 5-6 yrs to get a tag is unacceptable. Many Hunters I know, have quit applying. Very poor management in my opinion
1384	I feel we should restrict nonresident hunters before anything is taken away from residents
1385	Remove early license application to hunt on public land for nonresidents.
1386	Just eliminate or limit nonresident archery hunters to 2,000, and also split that draw into east and west river.
1387	Definitely need to raise non resident deer hunting license fees. Other states have higher fees and GFP is currently losing a significant amount of funds by not having higher license fees for non residents.
1388	<p>SDGFP: I have been hunting SD as a non-resident archery deer hunter for almost 30 years. I hunt on family and friends private property located in NE SD. We have never experienced an over crowding situation nor have we had more than a few non-resident bow hunters asking permission to hunt on private land. As I read opinions of the resident bowhunters from SD they state their concerns are resource protection and resident experience and opportunity. What? The resource population of deer is managed by you professional people and I believe from what I have seen in NE SD you have a very sound and adequate deer population. We trust and believe your professional staff has a handle on the proper management. We have witnessed and experienced this for almost 30 years. To their second point on resident experience and opportunity. We believe the increase in non-resident and resident hunters is a tremendous asset to the state of SD economy. We also recognize the price of your non-resident license is very fair. I believe it went up several years ago but I will say we love to hunt your state and probably would pay more to do so if the license fee increased. \We do not experience the competition issue with the residents in our area. Yes we do see on occasion see other bow hunters but most are respectful and law abiding. I think your resident Bowhunting group SDBI is being selfish. At the very least they should not be painting this huge brush over the state claiming overcrowding and limited resources as my personal experiences clearly show those issues may exist in western SD. I have read and understand the Hills area draws many non-resident hunters and although many acres of public land exist this resident group feels the competition. I get that, but SD should be very happy so many people seek out their great state for hunting opportunity. It helps the state survive economically and its good for herd management. I cannot effectively say there is not an issues in western SD because my years have always been in the eastern half of the state.\But please don't apply the same issues they are complaining about to the entire state because they don't exist in Eastern SD. Others will try to say guides are leasing up private land and guiding non-resident deer hunters. Doesn't pose a problem that I have ever witnessed in Eastern SD. We are non-resident family and friend bowhunters who enjoy our later years in life experiencing good deer hunting opportunity here in NE SD. We certainly would appreciate SDGFP keeping our current license for non-resident bow hunters as is in Eastern SD. My suggestion would be if change is needed to only apply those changes to the areas where the problems exist. Please leave the private lands of Eastern SD out of any limited non-resident license discussion. \Thank you for asking for my non-resident input. \Please keep us in the loop on any decisions for change in the coming year. \\Sincerely,\#####</p>

1389	<p>Most of my life I lived and hunted archery deer in SD. I recently moved to Missouri but still enjoy archery hunting in SD when I am able. I am extremely unhappy about the way non resident licenses have restricted my opportunities to hunt deer in SD.\\The unannounced early short application period.... I never get an email reminder of the drawing. The late start for non residents and the restriction to October only and then October private land if you miss the application only is really kick in guts for those of us who have hunted SD for so long. Seems designed to reduce non resident archery hunters. \\How about lightening up on those who have been residents, others states like Montana have a provision for those who have moved but return home to hunt.\\Next week I am driving to SD to hunt archery antelope. I will be there for a few days of October as well. It would have been nice to combined antelope and deer...but I missed the application...did I mention I got no notification of the change or the application period. !!\\I understand resident feelings about non resident hunters. When I was a resident I hunted near Camp Crook every year...out of state archery antelope hunters all over the place but mostly within 100 yards of the road. I just walk in farther and can always find antelope even on public land. Last year I shot a nice public land buck, this year I hope to do the same. \\Find a way to not penalize those of us who grew up hunting in SD but have the misfortune of not living there now. \\If my opportunity is restricted to hunting on private land I wont hunt SD and will seek other opportunities in other states where I am not forced to pay an outfitter. I am a DIY hunter exclusively.</p>
1390	<p>The out of state (non resident) tags are way too expensive considering what the resident tags cost. This encourages waste and poaching</p>
1391	<p>Hard to find a place to hunt with out a lot of competition as far as public land is concerned</p>
1392	<p>You need to use tags to manage the herd. Look at archery harvest #'s and not just licensed archers.\\As a former non resident it was very nice to have the over the counter option for archery deer when it was not easy to dram a non resident gun tag.\\Please address the problem of too few muzzy tags. Give me, the landowner the option of what weapon to harvest my deer with please.</p>
1393	<p>Everything SD is doing right now is working just fine</p>
1394	<p>I try to hunt areas that are larger and places hunters are not. There are public lands that have cattle in them during archery and sometimes rifle seasons, example Buryanek in Gregory county. That ruins hunting for me. I would be curious about archery success rates in combination with added archers in the field.</p>
1395	<p>Out of staters are ruining our hunting rights. Tags are cheap for them and easy to get but all the state seems to care about is making money rather than worrying about the resident's voices. The elk 1 out of state lottery tag that includes an any elk is every reason why it takes people 27+ years (if ever)to draw licenses and by then, they're too old to hunt and have tons of preference dollars invested into something they will never get. 1 non resident tag will turn into 5 and the next thing it will be 105. Let's keep our own resident privileges available for many years to come and find other ways to make the state money. I can think of one for starters....out of state snowmobile licenses...like any other state.</p>
1396	<p>non resident bowhunters need to be limited which is especially true for mule deer in the West River units.</p>
1397	<p>As for me, if the opportunity to purchase a nonresident license is decreased and i have to wait a year or more to see the individuals i visit and hunt with I will stop applying. Rifle buck was reduced and i stopped applying. Muzzleload turned to all doe and no January hunting and i stopped applying. Im not threatening to quit to change your mind, I am just being realistic about having the opportunities, time in the woods reduced, reduces interest and desire as â€œrushâ€• hunting is not pleasurable. I simply enjoy being â€œout thereâ€• in nature. Relaxing and experiencing the joys of the woods.</p>
1398	<p>Cost of nonresident tags have gone up not only in SD but many states. Sadly many hunting opportunities have become a rich persons . Being retired and on a fixed income makes it difficult for us seniors to afford.</p>
1399	<p>I grew up in South Dakota and absolutely love coming back to hunt my home state. As a non-resident I wish I could hunt on public land. I've been hunting for over 35 years in SD. Over the last couple years the amount of private ground that I can hunt has pretty much all been leased out and I can no longer hunt those areas. I am down to only being able to hunt our 5 acres. I'll still do it because I love SD, but I wish I had the option of being able to also hunt public land.</p>

1400	Limit NR tags before you even think about limiting resident tags! \\Limit NR tags to 1000 and make it a draw. Charge \$500 per tag. The amount of restrictions that the state does on NR is a joke. Dont let NR mentor tags! Dont try and restrict archery hunting to try and control deer population. \\Lets take care of our own before we just hand our tags to NR.
1401	I think the deer season is fine don't try to fix.
1402	I wish there where walk-in unit that are for deer hunter only. Once pheasant season opens the deer move on.
1403	If you are concerned about the number of deer being shot, stop the mentored hunting, at least eliminated the nonresident. Do drawing for nonresident archery tags. DO NOT CUT BACK THE RESIDENT TAGS, most of the archery hunters I know are more selective than the rifle hunters.
1404	I generally apply for both east and west river, because I live east river I spend more time trying to fill that tag but I always look forward to my west river trips each year. I would hate to lose opportunity
1405	Make way less nonresident tags available
1406	If a single resident doesn't draw then a non-resident shouldn't get a tag. A non-resident shouldn't get left over tags
1407	As a resident for 34 years, I enjoyed all the big game opportunities in SD. This was one reason I stayed in SD. Unfortunately over the last few years, hunting opportunities in SD has diminished so much, that now if Iâm lucky I can draw one or two tags. These tags are also generally not in my preferred area anymore. I understand that population growth is the major reason for my ability to draw the tags I apply for. Wyoming, where I moved from in 1988, now outpaces SD for providing residents with tags that are appealing for residents to hunt locally. The major difference is WY allowing one deer tag in the initial draw, Statewide. SDâ€™s generosity in allowing 2 choices in the first draw continues to limit local hunters to get a deer tag close to home. It appears the change made a few years ago has not improved the opportunity for resident hunters to hunt locally.
1408	Deer licenses should not end on Jan. 1. The end should be at least Jan. 15, preferably Jan. 31.
1409	I hunt along the Whitewood Creek on private land. The EHD numbers are very high this year. We have rotting deer all over the creek bed with new ones showing up daily. This, combined with the increase in hunting pressure makes me concerned for the deer population in this area.
1410	The cost of non-resident deer is getting out of control. If the desire is to drive out non-resident archery hunters, itâ€™s beginning to work as I wonâ€™t be able to accept another large increase. It wonâ€™t be worth it for the size/quality of white tails in the Black Hills.
1411	There should be NO NON-RESIDENT archery licenses sold in South Dakota. Only resident South Dakota citizens should be able to archery hunt deer.
1412	Reinstate bow hunter education!!!!
1413	I wish that the little bend area south all the way down to okobjo creek was a restricted draw area on mule deer for archery on all the public and walk in areas would be even better i the line was any public land west of 1804 in sully county
1414	None
1415	It should be easier to draw a non resident Black Hills deer license. Iâmve been trying for 5 years.
1416	The bottom line is that unlimited nonresident licenses, as well as the never-ending advancement of archery equipment technology has taken its toll on opportunity available to South Dakota resident bow hunters for deer and pronghorn. Unlimited non-resident licenses have fueled commercial bow hunting enterprises on private land, the scale of which is likely very poorly understood by GFP and the public. This in turn has adversely affected opportunity on private land by residents that formerly had such access. My family has even lost waterfowl hunting opportunities on private land because of a younger generation of landowners has started a commercial deer hunting operation. \\It's late in the game, but it's certainly time for GFP to limit nonresident archery licenses for deer (and pronghorn) and I would not be opposed to even limiting some resident opportunity by taking a look at the current statewide, east and west river deer license structure. \\Thank you for the opportunity to comment.
1417	Open up cross bow hunting for all.

1418	I have been bow hunting public west river the past 15 years. Over the last 6-8 years I have noticed a significant decline in deer numbers(specifically mule deer), higher drought conditions and more hunters. This is specifically for units 02a, o2c and 39A. This year it was 100 degrees for the opening weekend and there were still hunters in most public parcels in this area. I feel like we need to cut tags for a 3-5 year span to take pressure off the deer and let the numbers grow. In my opinion it should start with a significant decrease in non resident tags for first year or 2 then residents. I know this will possibly affect my odds of drawing but we have to get ahead of the real issue at hand. I hunt private whitetail east river and have always seen a stable number of whitetails. What I have noticed is the growing number of hunters and less private land available to hunt.
1419	I feel like we issue way too many archery deer tags. I feel like there should be a limited drawing for archery deer tags, just like there are for firearm deer tags. I just do not feel like we should have an unlimited amount of archery deer tags issued throughout the state. We dont have an unlimited amount of firearm tags issued, why archery tags??
1420	2 statewide tags would be better than east/west river tags with a bow
1421	nothing
1422	I'm ok with current structure. There's many places to hunt, sometimes you have to work harder than the others.
1423	I would like to see somehow the density based on regions of the state where bow hunters are taking their tags. I live next to public land and tried hunting it the first year and saw 12 other stands in the same area in Moody county. I assume many are college kids from SDSU. I haven't tried again since my steps were stolen. I would also ask that there be some sort of very harsh penalties for people stealing cameras, blinds etc. I realize this isn't the place to air my issues. But figured I would mention the fact that since much of it occurs during the bow hunting season. I've had two ground blind stolen from private land that I intended to use with my son to teach him about hunting. Somehow these so called outdoorsmen need to get caught and/or understand they could face much harsher penalties from stealing gear.
1424	Open mt lion season during deer season and open wolf hunting.
1425	How about looking into making the rifle seasons longer or splitting up tags into two seasons so there are fewer hunters out there at the same time!
1426	I have 21 years on a out of the park elk tag and continue to hear people with half the years I have draw. System is wrong and broke
1427	I would like to see more chances for antlerless tags for archery ,
1428	Thank you!
1429	Please keep the option to purchase a west River any deer for archery
1430	I am a resident and hunt 100% on public land. I feel the number of other hunters is about right. I get a east river tag and if a friend decides to go out west and I want to go I buy the west one to without having to fill out. Just works good for me. I like it the way it is.
1431	Im sure GFP will find a way to ruin archery the same way it has ruined other Big Game applications with hunters earning preference points over years of applications only to have the costs skyrocket and the methodology change with every application.
1432	I don't understand this survey, what is the % of successful hunters would be more my concern. Archery hunters are not hurting the population of harvested deer. People complaining about too much pressure go knock on doors, not too many people say no if you ask and do a little work for them. i guy needs to get back to the older days of work ethic not i want i get
1433	My comments would be too extensive to type. Please have a gfp representative call me at ##### to discuss my opinions. I have 22 years experience as a bowhunter on both public & private land. I also have 17 years experience as a fishing guide servicing mostly nonresident clients. In addition, I am a landowning farmer that must provide habitat for the deer herd.

1434	As a nonresident, all I hear in SD is how the nonresidents are the problem. Now the residents are complaining the public land is overcrowded. Seeing as a nonresident can't hunt public now til Oct 1, I feel the residents are creating the problem. Sd has way too many license options for residents. Seriously, how many bucks could a resident take in your state? Leave archery statewide unlimited, maybe increase the price(hopefully not) and go away with west and east river tags.
1435	There is no problem with over hunting of public lands by archery hunters. However some units are high pressure in the western units but most of this has been changed with access permit drawings. Non resident any deer tags should be limited. Non resident any whitetail tags would be a good option.
1436	Provide more doe tags . They can be for private land only. Can be removed from private land doe tags and whitetail only rifle season.
1437	I think limiting out of state archery hunters first before considering restricting resident archery hunters.
1438	Crossbow restrictions should be looked into further. There is a lot of abuse in the acquisition process of getting a crossbow permit. I'd like to see the statistics of the percentage of nonresident archery hunters who use compound bows to crossbow disability permits. I watched a TV program with the host promoting a double barrel crossbow that was legal to use in South Dakota for the archery season. SDGFP needs to either tighten the restrictions on crossbow use during archery season or, loosen them for everyone to use. If the goal is to put more people into the outdoors and create more hunting opportunities, then crossbow usage should be expanded.
1439	The reason there are many archery hunters is the difficulty in obtaining a rifle hunting tag. I applied for rifle deer, elk, antelope and with preference points for two years with no luck. Archery is my only chance at hunting.
1440	Need to limit non-residents. The state needs perks for hunting being a resident like Montana and Colorado do.
1441	I archery hunt for one main reason and that is for peace and solitude. More archery hunters reduces both of these qualities. The second reason is to observe animals that have moderate human pressure. The quality and distribution of animals will benefit if both archery and rifle hunter numbers are controlled. However, everything is a mute point unless adequate habitat is available.
1442	Much rather see archery hunting licenses remain as is. If this proposal is to lower harvest of deer or numbers people with tags. It be wiser to put a limit of the deer or mainly buck tags say to a combination of 2 firearm, muzzleloader, and/or archery statewide. Than could get additional antlerless only, or after a 2nd buck is tagged any other any deer would only be valid for antlerless deer. By putting a buck limit statewide residents and nonresident would have to choose whether they wanted to hunt firearms or archery more for bucks for Whitetail or mule deer. Which would lower hunting pressure of archery deer, should a firearm hunter not harvest a buck would be able still hunt for 1 or 2 archery buck deer depending on type of tag they choose. In state were you can potentially harvest many bucks in the state per year a 2 per year on bucks would make it fair the most hunters and allow for the most opportunity while allowing for say both a whitetail or mule deer buck each year . Than with any other tag or "any sex tags could be used for antlerless deer to allow for more harvest of deer where needed. Again it's time for a buck limit, not limit the opportunity to get tags or more restrictions where you can hunt.
1443	Is it about the number of archery tags sold or more about how many tags are filled.
1444	Need to help the mulies in the hills, I've tried to be part of the mule deer foundation but all they care about is Prairie. Also think there should be a 2x2 or bigger rule for all deer at the minimum 3x3 would be even better give a chance to pass the good genetics.
1445	No out of state deer license would be just right. \No non-resident archery, No non-resident rifle. \None.
1446	East river archery should start later than Sept 1. Maybe Oct 1st would limit the fair weather hunters and the harassment of deer.
1447	Just leave the current license set-up as is
1448	Don't penalize resident archery hunters. The state gfp is already drastically changing our gun hunts what's next? Restrict all non residents which every other state does. What's the benefit of living in this state from a wildlife perspective if the state continues to take our tags away as residents. Might as well move

1449	If we need to lessen the hunting pressureâ€¦ Letâ€™s shut down the non-resident Tags. And to make up for this letâ€™s increase the tag cost for the state resident hunters like myself.
1450	How about an option for a free archery land owner tag
1451	You let the out of state people come in and shoot all of our small bucks all the time when I bow hunt public land 90% of the people I see are non residents. And reason why I barely bow hunt anymore is because of public land is littered with non residents shooting tiny bucks. So you can make money. And 90% of our public land is a joke because you canâ€™t access a lot of it. Or you bought farmer joes corn field that donâ€™t even have a slew in it and then brag about all the public land we have. And a fraction of the land that is public you can actually access for bow hunting deer. and then their is 10 Minnesota license plates. Sad that I see more non residents then residents and then wonder why your hunting license purchases have gone down. Itâ€™s because you care more about non residents then you do residents you guys make that so obvious itâ€™s ridiculous. You are all about money and thatâ€™s it. Your pheasant data is terrible every year. Deer tag allocation is terrible. Your boat ramps are garbage. Your new app is garbage.
1452	Please keep the Black Hills open to archery and muzzleloader tags, do not close them as I donâ€™t have private land to hunt.
1453	Non-residents should not be able to get an archery license automatically. A lottery draw should be used for non-resident hunters. I have heard a lot of other hunters complaining about non-residents over using the public lands and shooting immature bucks.
1454	I like the current season format but I usually do not hunt until around Nov. 1st.
1455	you are doing a fine job the way it is
1456	During my rifle elk hunt I had a ridiculous number of out of state archery deer hunters messing up hunts.
1457	don't change anything that is working
1458	I would like to see the current archery season for residents stay as it is. I would like to the non resident archery season go to a quota type of system. For all of the rifle deer season the non resident hunters are limited in number. I feel that we should also limit the number of non resident archery hunters. This would provide more opportunities for resident archery hunters.
1459	Please leave the September 1st opener alone. This gives a guy and my family time to hunt without being over ran by non resident hunters on public land. We need to raise the prices of non resident tag and the over crowding will take care of it self, I believe if nonresident would pay wht Montana and Wyoming non resident hunter would pay the would be far less non Resident hunter in South Dakota. Your giving away are deer, especially our mule deer way to cheap compared to our neighboring states. Get on board please. And please please leave the public land and the September 1 opener for us blue collared bow hunters of this great state of South Dakota! We cannot afford to pay private land fees/ Trespass fees and you would forced my family to quit bow hunting all together
1460	Over the last 5 or so years the deer hunting in general (rifle, muzzleloader,refuge etc) and application process has gotten more and more confusing with added restrictions on units,dates,permits, boundaries draw processes. Do not make archery another confusing limiting process for residents. The biggest obstacle is of the 5k plus nonresident archery hunters a large majority are hunting west River and hunting mule deer. Make a quota for NR mule deer for starters maybe unlimited WT and see how it goes.
1461	I think the resident should have a priority when it comes to tags and access permits. I like the archery tags the way they are.
1462	If you want to look at something look at the landowner regulations. I am all for land owners getting tags but most of the time they dont plan on getting a tag unless they see a big buck. They can have their tags but they should have to apply with the rest of us. If they miss the first or second draw I think they should be limited to antlerless only tags however they should be able to get multiple antlerless tags.
1463	I started archery hunting again three years ago after not doing so for about three years. I do not see over crowding where I'm hunting mostly on walk in and some on public hunting and most of my hunting I do late season when most have hung it up.. But obviously the numbers of license reflect other wise.

1464	I like the way archery is set up. It's why I got into archery. More options available without needing a preference point to hunt. Where I hunt I'm not guaranteed a buck tag during rifle season every year. If your worried about deer population I'd address it with the number of rifle tags that are issued.
1465	Stop trying to take away opportunities from the residents of South dakota. Regulate the non-residents if u want to mess with the system
1466	I would like to see more tags available and more opportunity for the residents that live in this state. I tend to see a lot more non residents coming from Minnesota and other eastern states that donâ€™t appreciate are conservation efforts or respect the opportunityâ€™s that that are state offers.
1467	It gets harder each year to hunt in South Dakota. Less access to Public lands. GFP claims the goal is to create more but then restricts access with limited access permits and horrible instructions on when and how to apply for them. We have a serious hunter recruitment problem in SD the older hunters are tired of landowners that won't allow access to public lands but hunt them and charge out of state hunters to hunt or access our land. Younger hunters are not attracted to hunting simply because they don't know anyone to help them and are frustrated by the complexity of the system and the daunting task of finding a place to hunt. I would suggest you start putting some real work into solving these problems instead of worrying about license allocation areas and complicating the system. Concentrate more effort on hunter retainment and recruitment. \The last big change you made Authored and pushed forward by a land owner and outfitter, Russ Roberts, who swore that there was no way this benefitted him or outfitters. And now low and behold we have units that don't sell out and become available to non residents and tags that are for private land only and the public land that the private land surrounds. I know that is not what the rule states but that is what is happening. I am expecting the next step to be limited draw archery being added to the two tags allowed and that is most likely were this survey is coming from. My point is, all that ever gets worked on is changing how non land owners need to apply differently and restricting this or that. You might want to do a poll on if land owners want the GFP involved or even an entity. I think you will find most do not like you or think they need you. If you don't start paying attention to what the general public is needing and start working with the legislature on opening up some public land. You may find you have no one to work for.
1468	Limit Non Resident archery hunters
1469	Nonresidents shouldnâ€™t be able to come in here and run the country unless they pay dearly, it is hard enough finding a place to hunt without them coming in and paying big dollars to hunt whatever they can afford, make them pay the extra not the residents, no different than pheasant hunting and everything else, we keep getting our licenses raised and they come here for nearly nothing!!!!
1470	Wondering why SD does not let u use crossbow as many states do??
1471	Stop changing the website every year.! My boy applied for archery and never got it yes to reapply coworker same story both of them applied the first time
1472	Limit # resident and non resident archery deer and antelope tags. Hav a draw for archry tags with linked tags
1473	Increase the Archery Season length.
1474	keep up the good work!
1475	I feel archery hunters are given more preference that rifle hunters. Tags that are easier to get than rifle tags. Way longer season etc. I hunt mostly public land and can only get tags every other year. How is it fair for archery hunters to basically get tags every time?
1476	Would you consider issuing an unlimited amount of rifle tags?\Whitetail and mule deer\Resident or non resident, good any where in the state.\And extend the season to 5 months using calibers that achieve recovery about 50% of the time. \It would be absurd to suggest such a season.\Even worse to continue it.

1477	Issuing unlimited deer tags is ridiculous and poor management. \There may have been a time where it was OK to let anyone who wanted to have a bow tag. \That time has passed. \In a number of our counties archery hunters harvest more deer than rifle hunters. \Many archery deer are unrecovered. \Iâ€™m sure itâ€™s not a stretch to double the number of archery mortality. \This occurs in counties that may require years of preference to draw a rifle tag. \Not very equitable. \Another issue is the length of the season \You simply cannot hunt these animals for five months straight without pressuring them off of public land. \That decreases opportunities for everyone. \Due to disease, habitat loss and agricultural practices we are seeing a decline in the deer herd in many areas . \It would be reasonable to restrict archery tags \The same way we limit the number of rifle tags.
1478	Have not hunted archery deer for many,many years, and am too old to ever go again.
1479	Deer tags should be managed much better in areas that are affected by disease. In certain areas the deer population is plummeting at a terrifying rate and the DNR act like nothing is happening while they continue to hand out the same amount of tags as other years. It should not be about revenue it should be about the health of the herd, which is why there is hunting seasons to begin with. Only a fool would give doe tags out in areas that are being devastated by drought and disease. It's time to let the herd's population rebound, keeping the high quality of deer hunting in south Dakota alive for years to come. Once the quality disappears you won't have to worry about hunters opinions anymore, because they will all be hunting in different states
1480	Our archery deer season is the only tag that some or most hunter can get every year which is partly to do with the new draw system that was implemented 3-4 years ago, along with the rising cost of rifles and ammo (I understand that has. Nothing to do with sdgf&p)Moving the archery nonresident deer season to 1 month after the resident archery deer season was a smart move \I feel that messing with the deer system anymore right now with what has been proposed is to early and irresponsible on game and fishes park and in doing so I personally believe that we are working towards loosing life time hunters and not gaining new hunters in the future. I have been hunting in the hills for 16 years and the game management has really improved but the number of hunters hasnâ€™t but from my experience it is not the archery hunters that are taking more game archery hunting is way more challenging than rifle hunting and from the people I know that do both archery and rifle they fill 99 percent more with rifle than with archery. However I also believe that our tag numbers with rifle have been good the last few years and archery as far as I can tell have been very good as well so in conclusion I believe are archery deer season is perfectly fine at this point of time. However I know myself and many other hunters that are always open to making the system more efficient and more user friendly and tag numbers increases or decreases
1481	Not to fond of having to purchase non-resident license so early in the year.
1482	It would be a good idea to move the rifle seasons back another week so archery gets a little longer opportunity. Once rifle opens and deer start getting pressured it gets almost impossible to kill a deer with archery gear because they are a lot more wary and become much more nocturnal and don't move much before dark after firearms opens..
1483	I love the current archery tag setup but would love to be able to have more than 2 archery deer tags per season. This is my favorite form of hunting and far more consistent than trying to Black Hills deer tags. Even if the additional tags were antlerless only, it would great to be able to get multiple.
1484	Fewer non- residents should be priority for gfp
1485	Please consider allowing cross-bows for archery hunting for all
1486	as a senior hunter South Dakota does not offer enough tags. this state sucks for senior hunters
1487	Please limit the number of archery hunters, especially mule deer hunters both resident and non resident. Iâ€™ve archery hunted in South Dakota since 1982 and am appalled at the sheer number of hunters in the field, especially with technology increasing the success rate

1488	A bow tag is the only other option I have to attempt to help fill my freezer with good quality meat when I do not draw a rifle tag. Too many years of not getting a tag when applying, having to buy preference points for rifle deer for commercial gains sucks in my opinion. I think we have too many rifle hunters that sit in walk in area drives that I hunt and only get out to shoot deer just outside the vehicle. I want to hunt in the elements, in their environment, real hunting. Let's get back to that. Real hunting. Please don't limit me on my opportunity as a South Dakota citizen. \Thanks
1489	Could we move the apprentice and mentored seasons from September 10 to October 1. This would eliminate some of the crowd from the hills units during archery. Pure archery hunters then would not have to worry about being walked up on while in full camp. It's sometimes scary. It's not good having a setup then a truck drive by with a slob mentor teaching a youth how to drive around looking for deer along the road. That's not teaching them hunting. \An October start date for them would sure improve archery hunting for those of u that only get archery tags.
1490	I hunt in the Black Hills for a week every year for the last 16 years and have only once seen another hunter in the woods. Occasionally I see hunters passing by on the logging roads, but so not feel by any means there are too many hunters or the hunter density is too high. It's very low in my opinion.
1491	The large increase in hunting pressure on public lands comes from non-residents who mostly hunt large tracts of public land for mule deer. Limit non resident tags or increase the price. In my opinion do both or make non resident tags whitetail only. I do not think changing resident tags is a good idea. A large percentage of resident archers are hunting of private land. Deal with the non residents and leave the residents out of it.
1492	No info on success rate??? Biologists will tell you no impact on deer population. \Who is behind this 'proposed' change??? I'm guessing 'relatively' few outfitters wanting to increase prices & profits. Very powerful lobby!! \They hold themselves out as 'great conservationist' and they only care for 'the resource'. The truth is they are driven by self-interest and their own ability to 'control things'. \Putting in 'zones' is a lousy idea!! More restrictions!! \One more reason for your average Hunter, resident or nonresident, to say to heck with it, I've had enough and stop archery hunting. My guess is you're pretty happy with the increase in non-resident hunters buying very expensive licenses. \Also, there is a huge impact in using 2021 numbers because of Covid. If you want More good data average the number of licenses sold for the years 22, 23 and 24. \Thanks for asking.
1493	Through the years of archery hunting I've noticed more people coming in for archery non-resident and resident and their complaints are generally they can't get a rifle tag so they go to archery because they can generally get that tag with no problem.
1494	Should limit where the side by sides can travel on national park land restrict them to only being in a small portion of the hills otherwise they will completely ruin the hunting and the hills for that matter.
1495	To whom it may concern, I would still like to be able to purchase a tag when I want to and not need to draw one. I feel that the archery tag is probably getting more popular because it is available. However I think the nonresident could be done as a lottery and limit the numbers there. I despise the fact that hunting has become a such big money sport, and people that only hunt for horns and not to feed their family.
1496	I do know that the earlier archery deadline to purchase a nonresident Archery license has reduced the number of nonresident people who would have bought a license.
1497	I feel the increase in hunters is due to Covid. I think it's good for the sport.

1498	<p>Non-resident archery hunters only harvest about 4-5% of the deer in SD despite the concern about unlimited tags. It's even less for antelope. Also, nationwide there was an increase of about 15-16% in non-resident big game licenses. This is nationwide not just SD. This was due to the pandemic and people having more time to get out. The expert consensus across the industry is these numbers will drop back down. So to use the numbers from the last two years is probably not advisable. Additionally, the fact that NR archers took more mule deer than resident archers does not affect the herd. Why should NR archers be punished because they spend more time and effort towards hunting mule deer. Resident archers significantly outnumber NR so the fact that they don't take more mule deer is not the fault of the NR archers. Last year NR archers took about 9-10% of all mule deer harvested in SD. Not enough to have a significant impact on the herd despite the fear mongering taking place about the unlimited tags. Many of us count on these tags to come back to the state we grew up in to hunt with family and friends. After my 26 years in the Army, I wasn't able to relocate back to SD, but still want to hunt big game there with my family. The archery tags allow me to do that. Please don't make any changes based on the anti-NR attitude of a small group of archery hunters.</p>
1499	<p>Archery hunters should not have special privilege to unlimited tags.</p>
1500	<p>I believe the current system works fine. Often the ones with issues have not done the leg work to identify a spot. Limiting tags reduces opportunities. The current number of tags is not a limiting factor to opportunities effort is.</p>
1501	<p>The mismanagement by the dept. shouldn't hurt resident hunters. Hold the people accountable that didn't expand public lands and manage them but collected a paycheck for years. They didn't work effectively with other agencies at all. Walk ins out west grazed to nothing before season and zero grazing plans followed. Tiling east river decimated those microhabitats. Let the employees speak their mind actually and have independent ideas for solutions. We have slowly turned into MN with habitat loss and regulations so its a bad time. Enjoy what little is left before its shot and south Dakotans need to travel to enjoy the outdoors. Its been getting worse for years. Less opportunity for archery is upon us just like rifle from the last drawing system change. Is what it is and this will go through guaranteed and eventually 1 tag a year for all and hunter numbers will drop.</p>
1502	<p>Comparing statistics from 2021 to 2012 seems like a big variable (years in between.) Comparing the last 3 years or 5 years would be a better option; in my opinion.</p>
1503	<p>Make more antler less tags available for archery. There are too many Doe and it doesn't seem that the rifle hunters want to harvest the doe especially if they have a any deer tag.</p>
1504	<p>I think non residents should have to be put in a draw like the out of state waterfowl setup</p>
1505	<p>Charge nonresident hunters more money</p>
1506	<p>Far too many out of state bow hunters are coming into the state to target mule deer and prices are far too cheap compared to western states and we have fewer deer. Price increases are necessary for non residents and capped licenses need to occur for out of state hunters.</p>
1507	<p>I am currently not an archery hunting, but am really working towards affording the equipment. One of the draws of archery for me is not only the challenge it presents, but also the accessibility that it presents at least to resident hunters. \\\Planning for the future I would hate to see that opportunity to get an archery tag begin to decline a rifle tag would.</p>
1508	<p>It is wrong to limit access to Federal Public Lands for non-residents. Limit fairly between residents and non-residents, no issue. I am from Idaho, if Idaho did that for South Dakota residents for the first month of the archery season, the SD hunters would have 1 day to hunt. I originally grew up on the ND/SD border, SD is home territory for me, and I am discriminated against for access to federal public land.</p>
1509	<p>A Non Resident hunter should be able to buy a archery license and hunt public land after the first rifle drawing so give us till Aug 15 otherwise if you have the money you can buy you archery tag in March the archery deadline to hunt public and apply for a rifle tag no big deal. But you are punishing the hunter that can only afford 1 hunt shame on SDGFP</p>
1510	<p>Hunting license stamp such as the habitat stamp is the same thing as a saturation patrol.</p>

1511	Nonresident hunters are clogging up every piece of public land due to their tags being so easily accessible. We need to make it a lottery drawing for nonresident hunters and only give out a small number of archery tags to nonresidents.
1512	Archery hunters generally do not use a lot of space when hunting. I have rarely seen other archery hunters over the last 5 years when hunting. Resident archery hunters would prefer the licenses to not be limited to certain areas or draw numbers. However, if there were areas of separation, it should be between East/West River. If any number of licenses were to be limited, it should be non-resident. The worst case scenario would be if resident archery hunting licenses became distributed like rifle licenses. Having the opportunity to archery hunt each year as a resident is a right that we would like to maintain.
1513	I would like to see a limited draw process more like the firearms seasons.
1514	Instead of changing anything with the archery licenses, maybe focus your time on fixing your online website.
1515	Before changing anything with resident tags I would limit nonresident tags even if that meant an increase in resident tag fees.
1516	Need to give redemption coupons to land owners to open more private land.
1517	I don't like the idea of having to apply for a nonresident archery tag by April 1st in order to hunt on public land. That screws up the planning possibilities and limits my options to hunt with my son(s). I get the idea of trying to keep more public land open to resident archers but to close all of it to nonresidents is overkill. Why not restrict some, but not all, of them like you have those other four areas. For a born and raised South Dakotan to not be able to come back to hunt on public with your kids just seems like heresy. We're not supposed to be like CA or NY. :)
1518	Is there a way to limit how many hunters have access to public ground, without limiting the tags for hunters who hunt private property? I hunt private property but I'm not a land owner.
1519	Item 68 archery should include cross bows as well for out of state hunters
1520	have less out of state licenses and limit in state to one license statewide no more east or west river tags
1521	We own 40 acres in Grant County as nonresidents living in Minnesota 6 miles away. We archery hunt only so far because Grant county doesn't have nonresidential rifle tags available. There should be a nonresident land owner rifle license available by draw at least for small acre property owners.
1522	Leave the current system alone please
1523	South Dakota vastly favors archery hunters over rifle hunters. Archery hunters basically get tags on demand whereas rifle tags are allotted via lottery. Archery season is much longer than rifle season. Archery tags cover much larger territory than rifle tags (which are usually limited to a county). The state is expressing a preference for archery over rifle. The state should only be regulating how many deer are harvested, when, and where, not by what means. The state should issue deer tags for the harvest of deer without regards to the weapon used.
1524	Hunting opportunities in SD are becoming fewer. Increased hunters both resident and non-resident are contributing to this. I personally have had my opportunity all but taken away. I have gone 2 seasons without a hills deer tag and rarely get my first choice if any for west river deer. My archery license is the only guaranteed hunting I have left. Due to limited hunting opportunities, I have decided to move from the state and currently have a property purchased in Wyoming and have my home up for sale. Hunting is my family's greatest past time and unfortunately I cannot pursue that as much as I would like in my home state. Hence the decision to move to a state with greater hunting opportunities.
1525	I would not reduce tags, it is already hard to get a rifle tag and reducing archery would make it worse. I would pick residents over non residents however. Make resident unlimited except the few areas with access permits where over crowding is an issue and make non resident limited draw.
1526	I moved out of state in 2020 and do not hunt SD regularly anymore. I am aware of the ongoing concerns but cannot offer an informed opinion.
1527	I don't mind sharing public land with nonresident archery hunters from time to time but it is very aggravating when they don't bother to set up their own stands but instead use my tree stands to hunt out of.

1528	Every archer should be trying to grow the sport . So naturally more hunters . I think the problem may lie with modern equipment is almost rifle like so more tags get filled? Are deer numbers too low or are people complaining about number of archery hunters? If rifle hunters want another tag or a Guaranteed tag they should take up archery. Today's equipment makes it possible for about everyone to be able to take an animal
1529	I think removing the unlimited part of the system would be best, allow the statewide/east/west but make them limited draw
1530	Way too many out of state hunters in all the popular hunting types in South Dakota, the state should eliminate all out of state hunting period
1531	This is headed the same direction as the rifle season, people cant get tags in the county they have lived in all there lives. Hunters from Sioux Falls , Brookings, Aberdeen have ruined hunting for local people, they show little respect for land or people.
1532	Open up more crossbow hunting for seniors(65 and older), with out having to get a permit thru a doctor.
1533	There needs to be a study done of how many archery tags are actually filled in a season, in the last 5 years of archery hunting I've filled 2 tags
1534	less out of state hunter all the way around or make them apply for a certain hunt area and those area should have limited # of licenses available vs no limits
1535	The real world is nonresident hunters bring in alot of income to local buisnesses driven from hunting. A small group of people can't think of anything but themselves and how they would love to have the public lands all to themselves. I look at the whole picture and see the benifits of both. Colorado allows us to come hunt private and public land for Elk. Some of these towns in Colorado live on the income we bring them. I would imagine the same happens here in South Dakota. The same people that are complaining about nonresidents more than likley hunt other states as well. How would they feel if they were told they can only hunt South Dakota. I would appreciate if we keep the doors open to nonresidents and welcome them to South Dakota. If you do anything to restrict nonresidents shorten the seasons they are allowed to hunt. For example archery deer nonresidents can hunt from 3rd weekend of October to end of the year giving them ample time to hunt deer and pheasants while they are here boosting our economy.
1536	I feel that there should be a free or greatly reduced price archery tag for landowners. If a landowner providing habitat and food for wildlife why do they have to pay full price for a tag and also pay the \$10 habitat fee? If more money is needed greatly increase the out of state tag prices, don't keep increasing the price on landowners who are providing for the wildlife.
1537	Put a cap on the amount of non resident tags. \Eliminate the state wide doe tags until numbers come back. If they want to shoot a doe they can use their any deer tag.
1538	I truly appreciate the opportunity to hunt SD as a nonresident! my opinion is based on hunting private land only for many years! I believe the tag price is fair and that the number of ARCHERY tags should be as generous as the deer population can handle and be managed properly
1539	Beginning the archery season on September 1 was a fantastic change as it gives a limited opportunity to harvest a buck in velvet. I would be in favor of limiting it to only ONE any deer archery tag per hunter per year and unlimited antlerless tags.
1540	Ya'll doin' Great!
1541	Haven't been to SDAK to archery deer hunt. Used go for archery antelope. Goat population crashed after winter of 09/10 and haven't made it back. Would like to, decoying goats = exciting hunting! One thing we would have liked an earlier deer season. On days when the goat hunting wasn't going, we would go to NDAK buy an otc deer tag and stalk corn rows for Whitetails also fun. Not sure if this helps but thanks for asking!
1542	I feel non residents should have to draw for archery deer tags like almost every other state already does.
1543	sell all the archery tags the state wants. More cars kill deer than archery hunts!
1544	Allow hunters over 70 to use a cross bow. This would allow our seniors to continue hunting

1545	Nonresidents should have to draw a tag in order to obtain an archery permit in our state. If you force residents into having to draw for more tags and have nonresidents be able to get tags just over the counter, that is totally backwards. The problem is not with resident archery hunters, it is with the number of nonresident archery hunters and how they have just as much ability to hunt this state as compared to their own.
1546	The public ground you have out west is horrible, the crops are terrible, you need to take care of it, you take \$10 from us and plant more crops, and take better care of it, cause what your doing is terrible and you are not contributing to the hunters best needs, and you need to open the bower bottom back up and more tags besides just 20 tags for rifle season, I'm paying to hunt that, and I feel that maybe legal action should be taken against you for miss manage of monies and grounds.
1547	Expansion of ability to use crossbow for those over 60
1548	Too many restrictions for nonresident archery hunters
1549	Having hunted mule deer in your state for over 25 years it will be my last. Many of us are frustrated that the license has to be applied in April. That is way too far ahead to anticipate our time schedule the following fall opener. Sorry, but requesting buying the nonresident license in the fall that was the case for many years.
1550	I feel that one archery deer per season is enough. \\We have gone to the Custer National Forest area at the start of archery season and the place is full of Antelope hunters who don't have the trespass permits. This is not right for us trying to hunt that area and have to get the pass.\\My opinion
1551	I appreciate the sentiment in you sending this survey, but I don't understand why we don't allow the biologists to make these decisions. We currently have the Access Permit concept in place, if a unit is impacted by CWD, EHD, or some other event, just invoke the Access Permit policy on those units. Limit the number of permits based on the biologist's recommendation. If the statewide herd is healthy, don't make a change.\\Residents are going to complain if they see a single non-resident vehicle in an area they want to hunt. That's just a simple fact. That doesn't mean there are too many NR hunters. The same goes for resident hunters. If someone beats someone else to a spot, they are going to perceive that as over pressure. When in actuality, there are many good areas that go untouched throughout the season.
1552	I believe the residents should be able to acquire east and west river. Non residents should be a limited lottery draw.
1553	I've seen an increase of success because of the upgraded equipment allowing archery guys to shoot 50 plus yards and also with the season opening up so early in the year the deer are oblivious to the hunters and spooked by the time rifle season starts. I feel 4 months is to long of a season for archery and the tag numbers need to be cut down archery hunting is nice and all but its dwindling the mature deer down more and more because of the sheer numbers of hunters. I live in Lincoln County and on opening weekend it looked like there was a small army of bow hunters crowding the limited areas we have for public access here. That's all fine and dandy but by the time rifle season starts the deer are so spooked its unreal
1554	Please limit nonresident mule deer tags. Everything is fine except nonresidents killing our limited and vanishing population of mule deer. No other state allows a system like ours where nonresidents have this kind of access.
1555	If certain regions or counties have reduced deer populations due to unforeseen circumstances such as blue tongue, over harvest, harsh weather etc, then restrictions should be made accordingly to those regions and counties.
1556	Statewide vs East and West River should be determined based on deer herd numbers . If numbers are equal across the state no need to change current system but if numbers differ between regions \\May need to look at eliminating statewide and addressing it by adjusting numbers in East and west region or by unit. Whatever is best for the deer herd
1557	I pay to hunt. Done with public land hunting due to theft and people using GPAs for hiking. GFP needs to start enforcing laws and catching camera and stand thieves. Stop people from leaving stands up year round on GPAs. Keep the non hunters off the GPAs. STOP grazing cattle on GPAs and start managing for wildlife not agriculture.
1558	Work with landowners to provide areas that are open to public archery deer only
1559	I've hunted SD for 20 years as a non-resident. I have only harvested 6 deer in all of those years. I would like to see more tags available to non- residents per year. Maybe a mule and a whitetail etc.

1560	You just need more deer. We have seen a steady decrease in deer numbers
1561	I use to archery hunt I say let them hunt where the can they are not going to depleat the population . If they get there trophy ahead or after rifle season good for them it is a lot work and luck
1562	I wish the game and fish would do away with the deadline for non-residents to apply in order to be able to hunt public land. The non-resident already pays a larger price for their license which that money is supposed to be going towards more public land opportunities. By limiting the public land from the non-residence you're going to completely drive away that revenue from the state. I'm lucky enough that I've lived in South Dakota and have relatives in South Dakota so the private land is not an issue for me because I hunt mostly privately land, but I have friends that hunt out there and if they don't come with me they're not able to access the private lands that I have permission to hunt thus they can't really use their hunting license if for some reason I can't go with them. And if you're going to limit people private land only that I don't believe they should have to pay the full non-resident fee for the license because if you're going to limit the areas they're allowed to hunt they should not have to pay full price for the license in my opinion. Some people are not aware what their vacation days are for the fall before the deadline occurs, so if they decided in August or September that they wanted to hunt in South Dakota their limited to private land, and many do not have that option.
1563	I believe we should be one tag per hunter and no out of state hunters. This would free up more rifle tags.
1564	Need to have more access roads and trails for handicapped hunters on state game production areas and take land along Missouri river
1565	A hunter should only be able to draw up to two buck tags a year whether they are hunting archery, rifle or muzzleloader.
1566	Turn non resident into a lottery draw
1567	I think something needs to be done on the refuge areas. Overall I think things are alright just a lot of people on small tracts of land
1568	i haven't hunted SD for the last few years (hunted 10+ years prior) since the requirment to purchase license in april. i had always hunted sd in an area that changed to restricted access. once that happened i was not interested in hunting unless i had access to that area. i appreciate the limited access to lands, but the requirement to purchase and not get access to the area i was familiar with was not appealing to me. If the drawing was first and i could get refunded my tag and license if i failed to draw the limited access license, i would be back to hunting in south dakota.
1569	We hate how you have changed license dates and draw for non residents and will not return to your state after 25 years of hunting with you during archery season
1570	Even though there is an increase in tags being issued, I'd bet many hunters do not harvest an archery deer like myself. I usually end up eating my tag.
1571	I own land in SD that I archery hunt on. I also do hunt public land at times. I see the concern with the growing number of archery hunters and yes with that I am sure that there are more deer harvested. But as for those I know and myself we all enjoy get out in the outdoors for experience as much as anything. It's not just to go shoot a deer. I would hate for that opportunity to be limited for our residents. Many like myself spend a lot of money on conservation practices on our own land also. All in the name of trying to promote game. I would not want for those that do not have there own land to hunt on to loss the ability to hunt on public every year either.
1572	Not enough public land for archery deer hunting the state needs to buy more land for deer hunting almost all land is for bird hunting
1573	Hunting is going in the wrong direction. Landowners are not allowing residents to hunt because nonresidents are spending to much for hunting rights to the landowners. If they are willing to pay those fees up their tag prices. Maybe help with the overcrowded areas
1574	Don't like the preference points program. I know it's a money maker. However, The rich get all of the license, and the less privileged lose their right to hunt.

1575	I'd say increase price to try to curve demand for non residents. And limit the quantity. Non residents. As the resident side might want to think about what the deer management goals are in each region to cap out harvest or unlimited harvest in correlation with the rifle and muzzy. Unless landowner then free reign on a single tag. I like the statewide tag idea as well. Make the hunter choose the quality of deer you want to shoot. Could differentiate between mule and whitetail as well to better control and sell more tags. I'd say if the concern is deer management you would want to split the species out. More detailed surveys or harvest reporting requirements would be good to get a better idea
1576	Leave the archery deer seasons as is!!
1577	There are too many campgrounds in our area. There are so many hunters they are pushing us out of South Dakota.
1578	Increase the price on all nonresident tags and licenses substantially.
1579	I'm currently happy with the archery season as it is, where I hunt in the hills I don't see too many nonresident people and I hunt a lot of the northern hills. I personally don't want to see any change but ultimately it's not up to me.
1580	I wouldn't like to see a restriction on any archery hunting. If the deer populations are down, the rifle tags are the ones needing more restrictions. The success rate between archery and rifle are significantly different (rifle being the higher of the two). It's off the subject a little but I would like to see more Special buck tags available and less east/west river tags. You would profit more!
1581	LEAVE THE ARCHERY SYSTEM AS IS< ITS CURRENTLY GREAT> I have been hearing rumblings of people fearing the elimination of east river and west river archery tags for the last few years in the archery community. I blew it off as I had not seen anything official on it. I think this would be an incredible mistake on the part of the gfp. I am a avid bowhunter and the areas I bowhunt out west I may go a week without seeing another bowhunter west river on public parcels. THERE IS no issue with too many archery hunters out west on the majority of the land. Several of the well known units may have problems but this can be eliminated by restricting non residents. We need the gfp to protect the rights of the hunters and fisherman for once and now bow down to complaints by a few hunters or landowners who constantly have the most pull on policy and loudest voice. I have a great relationship with many ranchers who I have built relationships with over the last 20 years of going west to hunt. we have campfires together, I help them in the fields, engage with their families, etc etc. To have to choose between that and hunting 5 miles from my home near Brookings if I fill a tag by home would be horrible, not to mention the lost revenue across the state by eliminating travel. Many of these small towns rely on sales from lodging groceries, tires, etc etc of people hunting in the fall. Please do not take this away from us, I fear this decision has already been made and now we are getting surveys to make it look better when it changes, much like the rifle draw system years ago. \\There is simply not too many archery hunters out west, and if for some reason people think there is, then take away the privileges of non residents before you infringe upon the great people of South Dakota. Landowner voices should not be heard on this as they can allow or deny access and control how many people actually access the land. If deer quality or numbers is an issue this should be regulated through the allocation of rifle tag numbers. I have an entirely different opinion on that, There are way too many tags allocated for rifle in some west river counties like Meade and the opportunity for mature animals on public has gone from like 80 percent opportunity to maybe 5. People are shooting everything. \\I really hope the opportunity for residents as is stays in place, because to allow nonresident landowners east river to get rifle tags now, and eliminate more opportunity for residents would be a really really bad look. \\The archery season needs to be left as is or I can guarantee the gfp is gonna have a ##### storm of complaints and opposition coming from tens of thousands of bowhunters. if this season is changed to eliminate the opportunity to hunt both east and west river in the same year. Leave it as is. Why go through the headache of creating a complicated system when there is no problem now. \\#####, Taxidermist, bow hunter
1582	I am pretty happy with most things. We really enjoy making the trip to hunt from Michigan
1583	It would be nice if we could incentivize more land owners to allow mule deer hunting on private land. Even if it's just doe mule deer. It's very hard to find public areas for mule deer hunting.

1584	The deer population is in trouble and needs some archery hunting like rifle hunting restrictions now
1585	Should be able to shoot bobcats and mountain loins with a bow during bow season. I think the mountain lion are really tough on mule deer numbers. I my self have saw to many mule deer killed by mountains (kill spots)
1586	Mule deer just need help.. need to lower the amount of archery tags for them, just like you do for rifle season
1587	Nonresident landowners should always be able to purchase an archery tag
1588	I believe bow hunting has become to mutch like rifle! I have nephews shooting through the front shoulders of deer at 70+ yards on the move up to 60-70 yds! Thats not bow hunting to me!
1589	Please Keep the nonresident start date at oct 1.
1590	Donâ€™t change anything itâ€™s working great the way it is
1591	Keep it the way it is. I like going east and west river hunting. We need to slow down the out of state people.
1592	none
1593	You guys need to allow us to get archery doe tags. There is a insane amount of does to bucks in most of the areas I hunt. I understand we've had disease pressure, but it seems like it always hammers the bucks the worst. Maybe if the doe population was a little more in check, the disease wouldn't be spread so easily. Thanks
1594	State wide tags on private lands could still be available. Just limit the number of public land hunters in the units that are getting crowded by making it a draw like everything else. The same should be done with muzzleloader tags.
1595	I encourage the Department to maintain the current availability of whitetail deer hunting licenses for non resident archery hunters. Please do not implement a limited draw process for non resident archery hunters on either private or public land. I hunt both public and private land and have not encountered a high number of archery hunters on any of the public areas that I hunt. Matter of fact many times I'm the only hunter on the areas and that is in November! The cost of hunting on private land is increasing each year and many hunters will soon be priced out, which makes public land our only alternative. Even though I may not be a resident of South Dakota, the PR money generated by my equipment and license purchases also benefits South Dakota and helps fund public land acquisitions, so like other hunters, I am helping pay for my use of South Dakota public lands. The ability to buy over the counter licenses allows me to plan visits with family, while also being able to enjoy the hunting opportunities available in South Dakota. Please keep your current license system in place, except it would be nice to open up archery elk hunting to non-residents. Thank you for the opportunity to express my comments.
1596	I was born in South Dakota but currently live in Arkansas. I return every fall to deer hunt on family land in western South Dakota. I canâ€™t always draw a nonresident firearm liscense so I depend upon the archery liscense to ensure I can hunt. I enjoy that time spent afield and visiting family. I would hate to be in a situation where I didnâ€™t have an opportunity for a tag. Thank you. \XXXXXXXXXXXX
1597	I feel the positive impact to tourism \$\$\$ into the state in the form of license fees in addition to money spent in the communities is a very net positive for the state. I would say archery hunters in general have minimal impact on the overall harvest number for the state. I donâ€™t think non resident hunters should be viewed in a negative light at all and we pay significantly more for licenses than residents and we all should be able to equally participate in the natural resources of the deer herd. Us paying significantly more already for licenses and helping pay for walk in access contacts should offset any perceived negative opinions of non residents because I would think we are funding a significant portion of those costs.
1598	Allow nonresident archery hunters to hunt both public & private land all season like it used to be instead of restricting public land hunting for an extra month. Besides, nonresident hunters spend way more money than residents & deserve the same hunting access for the much higher price they pay.

1599	East River Nonresidents have no access to modern firearm buck licenses causing an increase in nonresident archery licenses. You do NOT have an increase in nonresident hunters. You have pushed them from modern firearm over to hunting archery as well as most of the residents. You will eventually need to have hunters choose only one hunting method. One buck tag per year. Residents are used to harvesting multiple bucks each year which you know can't be sustained. Public lands can not hold the deer past the first couple weeks of the pheasant season thus causing more pressure to hunt on private lands.
1600	We need more public land for archery hunter only. I have several archery hunts around Pierre that get ruined by pheasant hunters right at dusk. It would be nice to have archery only areas.
1601	No comment
1602	The GPAs in western Hughes and Sully counties should have an access permit and/or it's own unit for archery and rifle seasons. These areas are overran in the archery season and also during rifle season. Deer numbers and quality have seemed to drop in these areas just in the last 5 years. Or at least have a minimum antler size in these gpas for harvesting bucks. I've seen way too many fork mule deer and spike white tail being harvested in this area.
1603	More land needs to be opened, too much walking that is completely worthless and the good land is off limits, a plowed corn field isn't much help with zero cover, \\Too much pressure to pay to hunt private land
1604	Do away with the access permits in the state of South Dakota. Especially in the slim buttes area and reduce the number of rifle tags for whitetail only in the slim buttes area.
1605	I would like to see non-resident whitetail deer hunters be able to apply and receive a rifle\Tag for any deer in at least a 5 year period
1606	Make non resident archery a limited draw, and only give out a certain amount of tags every year. \Increase the price of out of state deer tags rifle and archery, they will pay it just as we do going out of state to hunt there public land.
1607	Increase the price of non-resident archery deer tags and limit them to whitetail only. Create a draw or limit the any deer tags for resident archery hunters while maintaining the unlimited tags for resident whitetail archery. In my experience, mule deer numbers in SD are down significantly in the last 10 years
1608	How has your success rate changed with archery?
1609	We need to limit non resident tags and increase prices for non resident. Resident hunters are being pushed out of public areas due to the amount of NR hunters- I see more wisconsin and Minnesota plates then i do SD plates while out hunting WR- It is very frustrating as a Resident
1610	I believe that the current archery deer setup is ok, but I do not believe that there should be a limit of one doe tag for the LM unit. I think 2 or 3 LM tags per hunter wishing to obtain them would not hurt a thing. It would allow for some population control where needed and provide opportunity for people who maybe couldn't draw their preferred firearms season tags.
1611	I like the idea that with archery I can extend my season and ability to be out in the hunting environment and the ability to go anywhere in the state with exception of the limited areas. With archery I have the flexibility of time that rifle season doesn't allow with limited time and areas. I would just like to express the pleasure I have in the way things are currently operated \Thanks
1612	The cost of a nonresident landowner archery deer license is way too high. Owning the land is a contribution to maintaining good wildlife habitat. >\$300 for ONE license to hunt on your own land is way too high.
1613	Give residents only access to hunt limited access units. No out of staters .
1614	Need to have more archery only public land to hunt.
1615	Hunt archery on mostly private land in Davison county. Would like the ability to have a any deer and antlerless, or both any deer

1616	I believe most of the people who archery hunt are doing it for the meat since it's getting so hard to draw rifle tags. People like myself mostly just want a good excuse to sit in the woods. I hunt only private ground and probably will not fill all my tags but I have no problem with that as I know the money to buy all the tags goes into taking care of wild life management. If you make people spend the money on east river and west river tags they will do it which will intern bring more money to the state. Mule deer population to me is way down and what drives me nuts is all the youth hunters that shoot mule deer doe and all people that shoot young mule deer bucks just to say they shot a mule deer. Just my personal opinion.
1617	I understand that revenue is gained by out of state deer license, but there is a consequence to this. This consequence is obviously that too many out of state hunters use our public hunting areas. They come in large groups usually, and edge out locals that do not have land and would like to use local public land for hunting.
1618	the vast majority of out of state hunters are using guide services or paying for private land access. Let the biologists and the deer counts dictate tags per region and we will have a healthier population and better hunt for all.
1619	Eliminate the permit requirements state wide.
1620	Iv been hunting for sometime . I got in to archery for many reasons. 1 rifle hunting is getting harder to draw tags. 2 to be able to enjoy the closer encounter of the deer and there habits. 3 I always new there was no pressure on the deer during the archery season as there is more pressure on them in rifle season. If you start making a drawing for deer archery season. I guess I'm left not doing what I look forward doing every year as a archery hunter.
1621	Archery tags should be limited draw. Or open it to allow hunters 3 1st draw tags but Archery tags included in the 3 vs. Unlimited Archery and 2 1st draw rifle tags.
1622	Please allow crossbow for anyone with an archery license. I have hunted in Nebraska for years, and they did away with the "disability-only" crossbow permit many years ago. I don't think that they have seen any issues with the change. There definitely are less wounded deer with the crossbow being more accurate and user-friendly for many older people with just sore shoulders/necks/joints that don't qualify as a true disabling condition. It is not a good use of time or resources to continue to force medical people like myself to fill out your crossbow form. It's all about the hunt. You still have to have the same skills to get the deer in close enough to to you, whether it's a standard bow or a crossbow.
1623	Keep everything the way it is. Don't change anything that seems to be working just fine.
1624	Keep the statewide, east and west river any tags. I riffle hunt out west but go a few days early in hopes of getting a buck with my bow, and then personally forfeit my any deer rifle tag. This allows me to have options and the state to still profit without being unethical
1625	A few days ago I shoot a mule deer in velvet with my crossbow he is going to make a good mount he is a 4x4 very happy
1626	Love South Dakota and your game management for deer. \There is an excess of turkey now, great rebound and yet its hard to draw a shotgun tag in Gregory County as non resident. We are loaded with turkey and grateful I can get them with a bow yet as gun tag is tough to get
1627	Season starts to early to much pressure on public land for an extended amount of time imo. If an extended recovery of the animal is needed lets say overnight when it's 90 degrees during the day and 70 at night it is more than likely a complete loss to spoilage. Nonresident tags need a price increase to keep the numbers down and the profit to the state the same. I have also witness a large number of non-residents with crossbows in groups all with doctors notes I assume .
1628	I would like to continue to be able to have two archery buck tags each year (east/west) but I would also like to see access permits for fort Pierre national grasslands and all gfp lands adjacent to the Missouri River for nonresidents. In the multiple Choice I chose too many whitetail and mule deer hunters but truly the pressure is generally for a short period of time and there ends up being lots of empty treestands for the majority of the season. Kyle Villa

1629	I think archery whitetail permits should be available over the counter to non residents. I believe non resident archery mule deer tags should be limited by draw. I think with the limited public land that south dakota has the mule deer get to pressured. And with surrounding western states being draw states alot more people are taking advantage of south dakotas ease of getting an archery tag leading to more pressure.
1630	The issue at hand is primarily the continued increase in out of state hunters coming to SD. Resident bowhunters are NOT the issue. The success rates res/nr bare that out clearly.. The number of mule deer taken by out of state hunters is WAY out of proportion. No other state has unlimited out of state permits (mule deer/antelope) statewide. What part of the data YOUR own data can't you see here? Make a cap and draw around 8% of the total resident tag sales is in order. It's basically going to be an every other or third year draw which is nothing compared to most western states. Making the Black Hills mule deer limited draw for all would be a good thing though. I'm not totally against the idea of breaking archery up into 6-10 various draw areas though to spread pressure out if needed. PLEASE just listen to the petitioners from SD Bowhunters and ONLY cap/draw out of state bowhunters. That's the issue... It's also NOT just public land either. The public trust wildlife move from public to private and reducing public without out of staters on private would only be a band aid ripe for graft and illegal tag procurement.
1631	I have archery hunted East River private land for 20 years and am grateful for the non-resident any deer tag access the State provides at an affordable cost. The combined archery deer and pheasant hunting available in South Dakota provides an amazing hunting experience. I am glad to read the number of SD archery hunters is on the increase as I reside in an region where hunter numbers on the the decline due to generational shift. I encourage SD GF&P to continue providing affordable/accessible Resident and non Resident any deer archery tags so that current and future archery hunters can enjoy the SD experience.
1632	South Dakota has done an excellent job of providing access and opportunity for its residents to become involved in the outdoors. While I am proud to showcase our amazing resources, An increasing trend nationwide seems to be departments catering to the non-resident population over local R3 priorities. Please be cognizant of the new/younger hunters that donâ€™t have the resources to financially compete with experienced, out of state outdoorsmen. Keeping the barriers to entry as low as possible for newcomers is essential to the continued involvement and agency of the future generations.
1633	I don't like to see nonresident hunters hunting our resource.
1634	I think you better be careful because you are losing the support of a lot of people.
1635	Everything is fine the way we have things. Limit the Nonresident archery hunters with mule deer licenses. Make this a draw. OTC whitetail only for non-residents. I was in Harding last week and there was so many people out there on the regular public. I had an access permit which got me away from the them. Granted it was a holiday weekend. Everything is good but change non residents
1636	Donâ€™t fix something thatâ€™s not broken, such as the old online application website and format. My dad and I missed out on the first draw in nearly 23 years due to your confusing system and by the time the second draw came around all the tags were gone. Thanks for wasting our tax dollars for no obvious benefits.\\The problem I see with you people thinking your smarter than the rest of us is that you will mess with the archery season and before we know it half of us wonâ€™t be able to archery hunt the private land that we do have permission to hunt because you will make it limited draw like everything else. No need for your management practices on private land that is successfully being managed by hunters like my self. Step back.
1637	Just leave it the way it is. Things are working fine

1638	I appreciate having the ability to purchase a statewide archery license. I have not had issues with hunter densities that I considered too high. In the past if I have come across other hunters in an area that I was planning on hunting I used it as an opportunity to try out a new area. In doing this I have hunted all over the state. In hunting this way I have spent more days (and money) hunting in South Dakota. Rather than getting discouraged with my option in a restricted area and having a negative hunting experience, I have always had very positive experiences even if there was inclement weather, lack of game or the property was not what I was expecting. I encourage you to not make any drastic changes to the current hunting options and to not further restrict nonresident hunters. Thank you for reading my comments and thank you for the past seasons I have enjoyed in South Dakota!
1639	I said the same thing in the antelope survey. South Dakota is known to be a very accessible state with cheap licenses and an unlimited number of licenses. I believe in hunting and don't want to deter people from hunting but South Dakota needs to change something with the nonresident licenses. Either we start limiting the number of licenses or we up the cost of them and capitalize on this to help our public lands, our wildlife, and our economy. Actually put the increased cost toward to outdoor way of life. Also, getting rid of the Statewide Archery tag will help control the number of East River residents going West River and over hunting the West River hunting grounds.
1640	Stopped archery hunting since last change to October start and need to purchase license in April. Non resident hunting is catered to Local guides, took the fun out of the hunt for non resident
1641	Rifle hunting is the main cause of low-quality deer on public lands. I don't think a whitetail only west river archery tag would be a bad idea and make the mule deer archery tag a draw
1642	What is the total archery deer harvest percent of the allocated /targeted deer number to be taken in a given year? Is it increasing? Or is this about too many hunters with archery deer tags vs. firearm hunters that have have to follow more restrictions and "limit" guidelines?
1643	Don't fix something that is not broken. I hunt strictly private p[er the license requirements.
1644	Limit the nonresident archery license. They break the law and violate private property owners no trespassing rights. As far as I'm concerned no out of state hunters should be able to hit deer in South Dakota.
1645	Keep it the way it always has been. Also fix this website and bring it back to the old or something that is at least functional.
1646	Allow some kind of access so you can put up & take down your tree stand
1647	There should be more control on archery deer. We restrict the number of rifle hunters, why wouldn't we do that with archery
1648	It would be ridiculous if any of our archery tags went to a draw system. Also ridiculous if it went to state wide only! \If anything the units that are not in great shape for deer, the tags should be lessened on rifle for resident and non-resident as most of those tags are filled as a lot of archery tags are tag soup and good revenue to the state to try to get more public and less land locked public in the western parts of the state. \Thanks, and hopefully this gets read all the way to the end. As should all of them beings I know lots of people that think this would be ridiculous.
1649	I like the way tag allocations are distributed for residents. But I do believe there should be a cap on the amount of non-resident tags allocated every year. Make tags for non-residents a limited draw.
1650	I would favor the opportunity to purchase 2 statewide archery any deer tags and eliminate the West/East River tags.
1651	Archery has lower rates of success than modern firearm/rifle, so it make sense to allow more tags for archery.\In addition, it is becoming more and more difficult to draw a rifle tag for the black hills unit, so I feel in order for hunters to even have an opportunity to deer hunt, archery should be unlimited tags.
1652	Is the #1 priority MORE ACCESS? We continue to have too many archery boat hunters along Lake Oahe from the Dam face up to Potter/Walworth County Line. Harvesting too many mule deer. Simply look at the harvest reports for Stanley, Sully, Hughes archery mule deer and there is a large difference in harvest rates compared to other counties. The habitat of mule deer continues to decline with the unlimited access to Lake Oahe mule deer and the continued encroachment of AG land which is more favorable to white tail deer.

1653	Create more trophy units and limit the access. Work on opening more land to public hunting through private access.
1654	I think unlimited draw should remain. You question the difference between whitetail and muledeer hunters, but in reality how are we supposed to know who's hunting what.....a person isn't walking with a sign that specifies. Much of the area is mixed deer population so, one day I might hunt whitetail the next muledeer and I'm sure the majority do the same.
1655	I would like to see no changes to the current archery seasons being open for the 4 month span it currently is leaves it open for more hunters to evaluate when and where they want to hunt only the major hunters are waiting for specific deer and non residents don't spend the time in the hills but maybe a week the entire season Don't change anything
1656	Please consider increasing the nonresident fees for all species.
1657	Enforce QDM practices during the Rifle seasons to allow more deer to reach maturity. I see too many fawns and yearlings dropped off at the lockers. With reduced habitat, especially east river, reduce the rifle season to 9 days, 2 weekends, and the week between.
1658	I think it is ridiculous that nonresidents cant hunt public land for the first month of archery season!
1659	Commercialism of hunting is the root problem. Guides and Outfitters should be managed by license requirements, surcharges on land leased for commercial hunting. Each acre leased should be replace by walk-in acres from the guides and outfitters expense.\SD is too friendly to Commercial hunting. There is no return to communities and less opportunity for freelance hunters.
1660	Keep the status quo and encourage more hunting opportunities.
1661	Even though archery numbers have increased, there is still little pressure and a huge amount of opportunity for a quality hunting experience.
1662	I have spent lots of money in South Dakota deer hunting and would hate for you to lose lots of money by changing things
1663	game fish and parks will have their minds made up to restrict archery license so the old guys stop hunting
1664	Just give out less rifle tags archery hunters are more ethical
1665	SD seems to have very little archery hunting pressure east of the river but west river definitely has more pressure on the large blocks of public ground. However the trade off for east river is the amount of upland pressure on public ground. I would be for restrictions on mule deer to maintain quality hunting.
1666	I would support the idea of unlimited east and west whitetail license and limiting the archery draw on a statewide any deer tag. (but still be able to get both of the whitetail tags... and a guy get the any deer tag maybe once every other or 3rd year max. But don't make it a 5+ year point need
1667	I believe that the current archery deer season opens too soon. I'm no biologist but I believe archery season opening on September 1 makes it too easy for archers to harvest early in the season. Guys/gals that have deer summer patterned are almost guaranteed a kill too prematurely prior to the rut. Another option would be to have the archery season open on September 1 for antlerless deer ONLY until the 3rd weekend of September.
1668	I archery hunt in Gregory County and would like to see the rifle season in Gregory County change to the second Saturday of November like the rest of the state This would give us one more week of archery
1669	CHAP properties need more control and monitoring.
1670	I have lived in Aberdeen SD my whole life. I choose to do this largely because of the hunting opportunities. I am an avid bow hunter. I shoot year round and I am a member of the Whitetail Bowmen Archery Club. That being said, I typically fill my freezer with deer taken by firearms. I have been fortunate enough to fill several Archery deer tags but I never count on them. I am very selective about which deer I harvest with Archery equipment. I do think that the current options for resident Archery Hunters as far as East River plus West River or a State Wide options should not be changed. I think that maybe you should limit the number of tags Nonresidents can obtain. Please don't limit our resident bow hunting opportunities. Thank you for asking for our input.

1671	Most of these archery hunters are rifle hunters as well. I do not think the increase is detrimental to the overall hunting in South Dakota. Being able to draw 2 rifle tags is detrimental. Still I know elderly gents who do not draw a deer tag and others draw 2. Let the archery grow and limit each hunter to 1 first draw buck tag.
1672	Nonresident option is too cheap and numerous. Please conserve resources for residents with regard to deer. There is more than enough revenue coming in from all of the amazing bird hunting opportunities. The cost for us to archery hunt out of state is ridiculous and yet nonresident hunters come here for a fraction and essentially OTC mule deer as our tags for rifle are being reduced annually. Please look out for South Dakotans.
1673	Having to apply for an archery tag before you apply for a limited draw rifle tag is not a good set up. Even if you switch archery a limited draw it should be after the rifle draw. Also not allowing a non resident to hunt federal public lands the same time as residents is bs.
1674	I will probably quit archery hunting in South Dakota if the restrictions on out of state hunters don't change. Why can't out of state hunters hunt right away on public ? Why does the application have to be so early? Archery hunting in South Dakota has been very enjoyable, but the restrictions on out of state hunters make it difficult to find a time and be sure to apply so early.
1675	It would be nice if you could make it to where crossbow hunters couldn't use scopes when hunting with an archery license
1676	As a nonresident paying hunter I think you need to control the number of archery tags given out for resident and nonresident hunters. But nothing is said about harvest rate. How many doe to bucks killed. Also I suggest a specific just doe license in areas where populations are high and maybe have double tags How much impute do you get from ranchers/farmers on deer populations and wardens??? Lots to think about
1677	South Dakota is the only state I've ever hunted in that will not allow archery hunters on public land, because you missed the deadline but you can buy a tag to hunt private. Really stinks. Most hunters can only afford public land hunting. Sounds like special interests involved instead of DNR managing wildlife.
1678	Maybe put a cap on the amount of tags sold and not be unlimited. make first come first serve (arbitrary numbers) carrying capacity is 10000 deer, surplus is 2000 and success rate 20% sell about 8000 licenses. make a mandatory check in on your app
1679	Would like to see separate tags between mule deer and whitetail with a draw system in place for most mule deer tags. Mule deer are way to vulnerable to early season archery hunters in the western units and with the influx of non resident hunters the current system is not sustainable
1680	Restrict non residents to a draw status as well as make archery license one license state wide any deer
1681	Along with the increase in overall archery deer hunters there is an unbalanced increase in pressure on South Dakota's public lands, and subsequently a decrease in hunt quality; specifically in the western deer units 02C, 02A, 21A, and 39A. To best alleviate this increase in pressure, it may prove beneficial to move archery deer licenses into the same draw system as the firearms seasons. Moving the archery deer licenses into a draw system by units, like the firearms season, will create a better hunt quality for those hunting public lands and enable the GFP to track and manage harvest in each unit more efficiently.
1682	I have been saddened by the restrictions that have been placed on none resident hunters on public lands over the last several years.
1683	You need to limit the non resident tags. With limited amount of public lands it's insane that South Dakota has no limit to the amount of non residents that can use this land. If you want to limit archery deer hunting somewhere in South Dakota then why don't you limit archery deer hunting in the Black Hills during the elk seasons. People wait their whole life to get an opportunity to harvest a South Dakota elk and the have to deal with people that can hunt deer yearly in the black hills. What a slap in the face to the guy that waited 25 years for an elk hunt. Does any opinion or public input really matter anyway? The last time SD-GFS wanted input it was about 50-50 wether to change or not but the GFP voted 100% in favor of changing the tag drawing process. Furthermore if you want to cripple small west river towns even more then go ahead and take away the west river and east river archery tags and make it statewide. Small town west river will love you taking money out of those communities. The only thing that needs to be changed is the unlimited amount of non residents that can get archery tags. Leave everything else alone.

1684	We need to severely limit non resident tags. There is no reason the residents of South dakota should have to suffer and not be able to hunt our own home state because out of state hunters. There is way to many out of state hunters in sd!
1685	The secret is out that SD has quality mule deer on public land. It has become very apparent that most non-resident archers are coming here to mule deer hunt. They may shoot a whitetail because it presented itself, but most are here for mule deer. I don't believe we can allow our low mule deer population to be decimated by non-resident archery hunters. We tried to make them apply earlier in the year to hunt public land, but that clearly hasn't decreased numbers. Capping the number of non-resident ANY deer tags would be a great step towards helping our mule deer herds. If we want to still sell any whitetail tags, I don't think our population would have a problem with that. \\The biggest problem is if a non-resident travels all the way here to hunt a mule deer, they will most likely kill any mule deer by the end of their hunt. If we have a large increase in hunters who are taking younger mule deer or even mule deer does, that will have a large impact on our population over the next ten years. I think we could use an actual draw system for non-residents to hunt our mule deer population. If we want to give out over the counter any whitetail tags, shouldn't be a problem. When we are only giving out 50 any deer rifle tags in these units, but there are 500 public land non-resident archery hunters pounding the same unit, that doesn't add up to helping control this units population of mule deer effectively.
1686	Increase predator control and potential incentives for proper predator management. \\Grateful to hunt South Dakota and call it home. Thank you!
1687	I think we should be restricting non residents tags first if there is a hunter density or numbers problem.
1688	We need a mandatory game check like Nebraska, for all big game. I would love to see this state go to shotgun and muzzleloader only for firearm. Letâ€™s outlaw rifles!!
1689	I have always believed that the state biologists should make these decisions. Most of the general public arenâ€™t qualified to make this type of decision. That said I think South Dakota has a great wildlife resource and I always satisfied with my hunting experience
1690	I think South Dakota does a great job of managing their wildlife asset. I donâ€™t know that I would recommend doing very many changes at all.
1691	Out of state need to be in a draw process with limited number of tags. Keep more of them out and make them out of state boys Pay more !!!!
1692	I agree with the current license structure as it applies to resident archery. I feel we are too liberal with tags for non residents. I would prefer fewer non resident tags and that the tags be more expensive to offset any potential loss in conservation dollars. \\I also think landowners are given too much preference in this state for rifle tags; that should be another survey.
1693	I would love to see a license that would allow residents to take any one deer with a bow or cross bow, but if this license is chosen, they would be prohibited from applying for a rifle license in the first draw. I would give up rifle hunting if I could use a cross bow. Also I would make sure residents got opportunities to hunt before any nonresident received a license.
1694	The times that I did hunt, the deer just herd up and head towards the river so no deer were harvested by me on any of the times I hunted. I have not had any success hunting deer, but they have had much luck finding my vehicle.
1695	we need to limit out of state tags for non residents. The deer numbers are still recovering from disease and we should pivot to a preference point system for nonresident archery similar to North Dakota.
1696	Get rid of the access permit. It makes it hard to plan a Hunt we decided not to Hunt SD this year because of it
1697	I feel the 12a and 12b archery is back wards I see more deer in the a unit than I do the b unit .It could be that the a unit is easier to access than the b unit
1698	It is to warm to hunt in September I wish we could start the season later in September or even the first of October. If you hunt right now get a deer and you have to track it down and canâ€™t find it right away the meat will spoil in the heat

1699	Restrict residents to only 1 archery deer a year state wide. Reduce non resident hunters substantially.. the amount of non resident archery hunters on public land has increased drastically. Seems like all my hunting spots are loaded with out of state vehicles pushing and presurring deer on already crowded public ground. Get out of states on private ground instaed
1700	As a resident deer hunter in South Dakota, I would move the rifle season so itâ€™s not during the rut. Archery September1-December31. Rifle split into 2 weeks a early season and a 2 week late season for east and west river rifle deer. October 1-14 and December 1-14. Would draw for late or early season tag.
1701	Do not understand why this year non-residents cannot hunt on public property this is counterintuitive for revenue for the state donâ€™t understand why this is ridiculous change in the rules for nonresident again ridiculous!!!!
1702	I think your state does a pretty good job overall with your game management. It is one of my favorite places to hunt.
1703	Start the season mid September and go until mid January.
1704	Doing a good job with the archery license program.
1705	I have been hunting public archery West River for around 8 years now. The increased amount of hunting on these public lands has been very much noticeable. Most of the vehicles parked at the entry points to these public lands are in fact Out-of-Staters now too. I am mainly hunting for mule deer, and they are too. I think the amount of pressure on these west river public lands have gotten almost unbearable in the past few years, making my hunting experience way less enjoyable.
1706	Limit non resident
1707	Don't change anything for archery archery hunters are not the problem restrict the amount of rifle hunters in the problematic areas. Archery hunters should never pay the price for poorly managed rifle tags and fluctuating deer numbers.
1708	Make non-resident archery tags on a lottery system. Donâ€™t allow non-residents to draw limited access permits.
1709	Non-residents visiting SD may benefit from receiving a SD booklet about speed limits, driving etiquette and other information to be aware of. In the few years, I notice an increasing amount of MN drivers here in Eastern SD; and most, (not all but most) are driving considerably slower than posted speed limits and holding up traffic and in some cases long lines of traffic. I have also noticed them pull out into traffic cutting off cars and causing cars to brake as they enter traffic. Of course a few incidents here and there aren't an issue. However, after seeing time and time again that MN plates are the cause of a disturbance or traffic slow down it starts to become noticeable.
1710	LEAVE THE RESIDENT TAGS ALONE! Eliminate the unlimited non resident tags. I believe the fix should be that resident tags remain unlimited and that GFP should create a Special Archery Buck tag valid on private land only and make those tags unlimited. This would allow the landowners and outfitters to operate their businesses as normal. The non resident general archery tags should then be capped at 8% as they are for the rifle seasons. GFP could look at the previous years sales of resident tags and then allocate 8% of that number, example 25000 resident tags, 2000 non resident tags. Tag prices should also increase to bring South Dakota more inline with other western states.
1711	It is hard to answer your questions appropriately. I only hunt private land in Gregory County and we restrict access to friends and family.
1712	I hunt units 63 and 50a, private land only, and I'm pretty much the only bowhunter on both places. In Mellete County the other hunters don't come out until after dark anyways, so I doubt they are buying a tag in the first place.
1713	Why not consider not allowing out of state hunters. Seems like an option that would support South Dakota residents and allow more state residents who reside here to hunt especially on public lands.
1714	Cut back on non resident tags to many

1715	As a non resident and former resident, I have hunted multiple counties east and west river and have found some great hunting. I think the GFP is doing a great job, and I do not think the non res hunters are an issue. \\The people that are complaining are trying to hunt the most sought after zones at the most popular times. Of course theyâ€™re going to see people. Thatâ€™s the way it is in every state. \\I have archery hunted Slim Buttes and Perkins counties, rifle hunted all over in Perkins and Harding counties, and I do not see the pressure people complain about. \\Keep up the good work, GFP.
1716	Deer are delicious and i would like to get more antlerless archery tags per season
1717	Shorten the season for compounds to around the rut, leave the season as it is traditional bows, recurve, longbow, and all traditional. The real problem is to many months for a compound bow, which is gradually ruining bow hunting because of harvest rate and there numbers. Thank you:
1718	Get more access to outfitters taking lands away from residents. hunting outfitters should not be allowed to take out of state residents wherever they chose. This is where the problem lies. Outfitters are taking control of private landowners and more and more residents are losing places to hunt, thus the pressure on public lands and a decreased in trophy deer harvested. But an increase in private land deer numbers where deer are overrun but are not controlled due to outfitters not managing them.
1719	First off i do not include cross bows in this. You are far to restrictive in your archery deer licensing. In the area i hunt i doubt i see anyone archery hunting but myself and girl friend. I feel that 2 archery tags any deer state wide should work fine. I hunt traditional archery so if i get one I'm lucky. I have no idea about non resident archery but considering the number of deer that will be harvested by out of state hunters i doubt its going to matter much but it might bring in some income for small communities. Most of the archery hunters i do know are mostly trophy hunters so they most likely won't even harvest one unless its big. I feel have a deal 2 any deer state wide for say 80.00 not including mule deer. By the way sure would be nice to have a fall archery turkey tag also.
1720	I personally like a more regional line for management, because near many of the larger towns, there are a lot of folks archery hunting on the closest public land areas. If an area has a drop in population that doesn't lend well to hunting, that region could have reduced tag allocation.\\If there is an area that needs additional management, then those areas could be published or public/private partnerships could be used to open additional management hunting opportunities in private lands. Like club or email notifications for a region of opportunities, maybe offer for stack yard compromises, putting hunters in box blinds nearby on travel corridors as a condition for stack yard fencing prior to building and opening the land for hunting.
1721	South Dakota is becoming a default state for Non-Residents. License costs are relatively cheap and unlimited tags increase pressure. I see more non-residents hunting then Residents in western counties. I would be interested in seeing a comparison of days in the field spent by non-resident vs residents.
1722	Thanks for everything we really enjoyed Hunting!
1723	I donâ€™t see any problem with non resident hunting private ground with the no quota tag , I just canâ€™t see a draw process for archery for private ground, it just makes it harder for a landowner to make plans for any hunting on his private ground and I feel he needs some type of compensation for his stewardship of wildlife on his ground .
1724	I feel like the gfp does a great job with our state. The only thing I would change as far as archery goes is by making public areas such as ft pierre national grasslands a draw unit. There is far too much pressure in the large public areas. It took me 9 years to draw a rifle tag why not make it a few yr wait for archery hunters? Makes the experience more rewarding
1725	I believe that the last two years had more hunters due to the fact that Covid gave more time and in some cases more money to go hunting we may see that change moving forward. Thank you Dave
1726	Please just focus on conservation of the wildlife. It seems decisions become political and money driven, "Habitat stamp" its just like another hidden fee no matter what kind of spin you put on it for a reason. The extension on the deer application deadline was uncalled for, people that abided by the deadline and got their application in were treated unfairly in that process. I just hope something changes because I've been a resident my whole life, hunting and fishing, don't make it harder for me to enjoy that in my home state.

1727	I would like to maintain current resident archery licensing, and if anything restrict non Resident rifle hunting options
1728	I don't think non resident should have unlimited licenses amount. It's maybe not an issue now. But with years to come I believe we will end up with way too many hunters.
1729	I like the current structure and it works for myself. I would have hesitancy to support further restriction on current license availability
1730	Get rid of out of state hunters if you think there is a problem!!!
1731	Current System seems to work well. Honestly don't run into that many hunters during archery season, and I hunt quite a bit. Bigger issue would be rifle season public hunting near heavily patrolled private or landlocked public. Landowners using private access for clients to public land or blocking access.
1732	Not enough public land to hunt in the southeast
1733	Nonresident tags need a draw and limited number of tags. \\\Habitat loss is the greatest concern for game populations. More needs to be done to improve habitat. The state has a thriving tourist economy because of our hunting, fishing, public lands, and public waters. The increase in use of these areas increases stress on wildlife especially when there is not sufficient habitat. The tourism industry needs to contribute to the maintenance of habitat and public access. Sportsman dollars need to be used to improve public lands and buy private lands to increase opportunities. The gfp needs to become more proactive in protection of our hunting and fishing heritage in SD.
1734	You took away the tags for non-residents for rifle hunting private land, don't take away the tags for non-residents archery hunting private land. We may need to look for other states (Iowa, Nebraska, North Dakota) to hunt our pheasants too!!
1735	Providing places too hunt is key and opening up private lands also. The cost is also a big factor for non-residents.
1736	An observation and personal opinion:\Archery hunting has increased due to 1) the popularity of archery hunting nation-wide and locally has increased, and 2) the inability to successfully draw and receive a firearms antlered deer tag in South Dakota has caused many hunters to seek a different methods to reach their goal of harvesting an antlered deer (or other big game).
1737	Private land owners should have the right to sell their own tag to assure they have hunters to take in on their own property for profit. And not worry about having to decide how many draw tags and don't draw tags. Most payed hunters come from out of state.
1738	The increase in non resident archery hunters is likely due to limited availability of non resident rifle tags. It is also crazy to allow resident hunters to take up to 4 antlered deer yearly. One buck annually with archery or rifle should be enough and allow for more bucks to grow to trophy sizes.
1739	It seems to me the state of South Dakota has really tried to hamper non resident access. I have to apply by April 1st if I wanna hunt public land!! Public land is open for one month to residents before I am allowed to hunt!! INCLUDING FEDERAL LAND (sand lake refuge)!! That is totally wrong! That land does not belong to residents of SD and residents of SD absolutely should not have any priority to it!
1740	restrict non residents to private land
1741	September 1st is too early to open archery deer season. Many of the deer are still in velvet and haven't reached there full potential.
1742	#1 SD Game & Fish needs to protect the deer population and ensure that population for future SD hunters. and #2 if more SD residents are taking up archery as a sport and putting up the rifle than adjust the licensing as needed. seems that SDG&F is always looking at getting more licenses in the hand of out of state hunters and could give a crap about the state hunter.
1743	We need some archery antlerless whitetail licenses available to thin our herd in Northern Mellette County. We have plenty of deer and the only available antlerless tags we can get are youth/mentor tags. We already fill 5 to 6 of those antlerless tags a year without a problem. We only get one rifle buck and one archery buck tag a year there.

1744	The current bow season length (too long)has increased the amount of deer harvested in our area to the point that it is detrimental. Our visible deer herd has decreased by approximately 1/3 to 1/2. I realize this is anecdotal, but it seems that our area is over-hunted and over-harvested due to easy access from the interstate. Shortening the season would allow for more bucks available to breed does and lower our winter kill due to breeding exhaustion. Thank you for your time.
1745	Keep everything the same. They claim there is no deer in lake county but I see plenty. Not including one run over. Almost 95% of the time all I get are archery tags because the state thinks there's no deer. So archery tags in the only way I get to hunt in my own county.
1746	I'm from MN and have been archery hunting in SD for many years. we usually come out for about 10 days. We buy all our gas and groceries locally and spend a lot of money at restaurants. It seems like people want to put more restrictions on us every year because we don't live in SD. The system was working just fine before they put restrictions on public land archery hunting for non residents. I believe if you raise prices and put more restrictions on non residents you will see a major drop in revenue not just for license sales but every thing that goes along with it. With pheasant populations so low right now why would you want to lose another revenue stream for the small businesses in SD. Get rid of early draw time for non residents. Make us feel welcome in SD. Don't make it so we can't afford to come to SD to hunt and we will keep coming to SD and spending money at your small businesses.
1747	Shorten the season, start October 1st, non residents should be a draw for any archery tag.
1748	It is nice to give people the chance to explore the outdoors, but with more and more nonresidents hunting here, the pressure and experience for residents is getting worse. Some public areas where I used to be one of few resident hunters is now getting populated with nonresidents. They come for the weekend and do whatever they want, no courtesy to the guy already there and possibly wreck the chances of others. I've seen the mentality of nonresidents as "you residents have way more time to get to these areas, I'm only here for a few days. I'm going to harvest something even if I'm in your way."
1749	Put a quota on nonresident archery licenses. Or do a draw system like for rifle where there are a limited number of tags available to hunters, 90% of tags go to residents and 10% of the tags go to nonresidents. Or you break the state up into regions, each region is made up of certain units in close proximity and each region has a set amount of tags available at 90% residents and 10% nonresidents. The way the current system for archery works is that unlimited number of people can hunt on public land and easily over crowd an area and over pressure an area. I.E. Harding County & Fall River county - hunters both nonresident and resident pull up ONX and see those units have significantly more public land than other units and the hunting pressure follows.
1750	Start with restricting non-resident archery tags to no more than 10% of total archery tags sold. Preferably 8%. Since the mule deer population in SD is struggling, like most western states, further restrict non-resident archery any deer tags to 50% of total non-resident archery tags. And the last restriction concerning non-resident archery tags, split the tags East and West River and the non-resident could choose just one. No statewide selection for non-resident. I don't have a percentage in mind. That would take research and discussion to see what would possibly work the best. For resident archery hunters, only have East and West River tags. Allowing resident archery hunters to purchase one or both. Remove the statewide tag. This would bring in little more revenue.
1751	Like east river riffle, maintain resident availability over out of state. restricting residents over non residents is strickley a money game. with more residents getting tags, finances should not be an issue. When deer numbers drop, offset it with a drop in non local tags. the local land owners and their friends should be able to maintain their hunting traditions.
1752	I think all the nonresident hatred coming from sd bow hunters isn't rooted in reality. The amount of bow hunting pressure I've seen in South Dakota, even during prime rut is extremely low especially if you get off the road. I've hunted around slim buttes and people online always talk about all the pressure because the campground is full but then you get a half a mile off the road and you don't see a single person in a week of hunting.
1753	Limit the amount of nonresident archery tags

1754	I think there is plenty of public and private land to hunt. I have archery hunted a lot of years in South Dakota and never felt there were too many archery hunters.
1755	I would like to see a cross bow permit. For hunters that can no longer draw a compound or recurve bow back. This can be determined by age like 65 and over.
1756	Need to cap non resident tags. Everywhere that I go whether it be west river or black hills the nonresidents outnumber the residents. If you're a resident in SD a archery tag should be a guaranteed tag since it's now taking 3+ years to hunt the hills and 2+ to hunt west river for rifle in below average units. This falls into non resident turkey license which need to be capped as well. It feels like residents are getting shafted and everyone comes to SD because we don't cap the limit of non resident tags for archery deer and Turkeys.
1757	As a nonresident hunter, who hunts mostly public land, I don't appreciate the added restrictions and later openers. "Overcrowding" is a highly variable personal perception, not a valid metric to be used in policy decisions. If hunter densities are higher than desired on public lands, let's find a way to increase public access, not reduce hunter numbers.
1758	Introduce a crossbow season.
1759	close archery during the rifle season. I hate competing with not only other rifle hunters, but archery hunters... i cant rifle hunt during the archery season, why can they archery hunt during the rifle season????\Overall, just too many people on public land. It makes me nervous for my kids!
1760	Limit the number of non resident archery licenses sold on an annual basis. Make the draw after the rifle draw period. Many people who fail to get a rifle tag would apply for a limited archery draw. Maintain a good experience with fewer dudes all over the place.
1761	N/A
1762	I think SD is fine. There are plenty of deer around both on private and public land. Allowing more people more deer is fine it seems the land can deal with that. Plenty of deer for everyone. Compared to MN or WI there are far less hunters in SD. 20,000 bow hunters hit the field in MN and WI each year with a less than 20% success rate. Meaning SD has just as many deer and far less hunters therefore the deer population can handle more harvests if it happens. No need to restrict further.
1763	The current South Dakota Archery resident and nonresident unlimited tag draw should consider limited recipients in the next five years. The increased interest in archery hunting is negatively impacting the overall deer herd. Harvest success surveys do not take into account the number of fatally injured deer annually from poor shot placement, low quality equipment (dull broad heads) or unethical hunters. If archery hunter survey success percentages reflect 40%, I would challenge that to be as high as 65% with 25% as fatally shot deer unrecovered.
1764	Our non-resident archery deer license prices need to increase to be more consistent with:\(1) Neighboring states prices\ (2) The actual value of the tag(s)\ GFP can still generate the desired revenue by increasing the tag price, and offering fewer non-resident tags.
1765	Give unlimited archery tags for non resident limited number of any deer through the draw
1766	Map of Black Hills public hunting land with deer density reports.
1767	Finding land to hunt on is very difficult. If I go to walk in or public hunting areas, I see more hunters than deer. \What if the state made a list of potential private land owners that might lease land, or pay to hunt areas by day, week or year. This would open up a large amount of private lands that currently aren't available. The state may be able to offer a release of liability for the landowners that are willing to allow hunters on their lands.

1768	I have been watching with dismay how South Dakota has made hunting a commercial/corporate operation. As a hunter who prides himself on not paying guides and outfitters to access wild game on private land I have discontinued hunting in South Dakota. With archery season increasing in length I feel sad for the deer population. They will be harassed by hunters for HALF the year. The deer will begin to group up on lands that you can't hunt due to fear. And yet we as humans are endlessly greedy with social media portraying grand pics of horns. I've been hunting my whole life and have now put down the gun as I see the hunting industry only thinking of money and size of horns. I now hunt with only my eyes.
1769	Increase cost of license to non residents for Archery tags. Don't do unlimited Archery tags for non residents and perhaps do a preference point system.
1770	Sept 1 is pretty early to begin bow hunting
1771	Limit nonresident hunters to buck only to preserve mule deer doe population.
1772	one of the best parts of archery hunting in South Dakota is the availability of Archery tags. The archery fill rate is relatively low. Having tag availability in archer is such a huge plus for my overall hunting experience. I sincerely hope this does not change.
1773	We need to limit the amount of non-resident deer tags. They need to be capped off at 8% of resident deer tags. There are too many archery nonresident Deerhunters that hunt in the Black Hills unit. The mule deer population in the Black Hills unit has been neglected, by non resident deer hunters. It's an over the counter tag to access 1000s of acres of ground. We do not have the mule deer population that you think we do in the hills. We need to make sure to manage mule deer as well as whitetails better in the Black Hills of South Dakota our deer population in the hills is horrible. You still see deer but it's not the same numbers as the last 5 to 10 years. The mule deer population decline in the hills is 100% miss management on the game department. There's a reason it takes 10 to 15 years to draw and any deer tag for the Black Hills. Frankly when those people draw those tags they are in a world of disappointment trying to find a mature deer. The maturity level of meal deer in the Black Hills has declined rapidly in the last five years we are taking way too many 1 to 2 year old deer out.
1774	Every time you guys change something things get worst. If it ain't broke dont fix it. Instead of wasting your time and our money with archery deer (where there is no problem) why don't you work on fixing pheasant numbers(ei. Lower the daily limit). Also you say the numbers of hunter have increased what is the harvest numbers in correlation to that. Next time please include more relevant information.
1775	I'm very disappointed with the entire system that SDGFP has for not only deer hunting but waterfowl as well. I've been a nonresident landowner for about 20 years (around 2,000 acres)and have been unable to firearm hunt for deer due to no licenses available. I've been told that there were changes made but I've called SDGFP multiple times and nobody knows what I'm talking about for nonresident landowners. So I will continue to try to archery hunt -I don't see a big problem with the present system(except for keeping all the trespassers off my property.)
1776	Archery licenses should be included in a draw system within existing units and should be much more limited with shorter seasons. Mule deer licenses should be even more restricted and more limited.
1777	Go back to the system first come first serve. Buying a buck or any deer, or hornless at common cents or 7-11 the day of 11/1 like we used to â€¦. Neil
1778	I have said it before to inquires like this and to SDGFP personnel. You need to have more limited/controlled access to the public hunting areas to decrease the pressure on some areas and increase hunter satisfaction by not having to enter "war zones" during hunting seasons. The state of Idaho uses a similar check in/out system like you have on the CHAP areas, that works very well (for those that follow rules). Having a log book at a check in/out location also cuts down on the overall traffic in properties, ie if you show up and see that a couple of other groups have already been on the property before you, you know up front your chances are slim, this worked great in Idaho for properties with pheasants and grouse.
1779	Id like to know about what percentage of hunters actually spend time hunting or actually harvest an animal. And what are the statistics where these hunters are spending most of their time. I rarely see any archery hunters where i am. A lot of archery hunters i know spend little time hunting. Its more an opportunity if they know a big buck is around they may put in some effort, otherwise most years they dont even bother hunting.

1780	With recent changes in rifle hunting I now haven't been able to hunt my Orefered unit for 4 consecutive years, while it used to be maybe a 2 year gap at most. Archery hunting is the only way I am able to engage and ensure my ability to teach my young son hunting on an annual basis. These changes are hurting black hills residents in favor of non locals including nonresidents. Non residents should be the first to feel the pain
1781	I think South Dakota is one of the best states to archery hunt. South Dakota does an excellent job of managing their deer herd. It is still one of the least hunted states in the USA. South Dakota is special because of its many opportunities for both Resident and Nonresident hunters. As someone who lived in the state and had to move due to work responsibilities I have had the unique position of being a resident hunter and a non resident hunter. South Dakota has a special place in my heart as a hunter. I have family and friends there, I hunt with still.
1782	Maybe it's just the areas I hunt but, I rarely see other hunters when I am archery hunting on public land. As a non resident I normally hunt 7-10 days each season and the only time I see other hunters is on the Buffalo Gap National Grasslands near Fairburn. During my times in the Black Hills I almost never see other hunters.
1783	Limit number of non resident tags
1784	Archery deer should not be that long of season. Should start 3rd week in November and run till January 1st. Too many out along with dove goose and grouse season running. That being said it's hot weather anyways and no other hunting season runs 4 months straight. Archery deer should be management bucks only or antlerless only. This just gives bucks fighting chance during rut. I also believe that everyone that has a deer license needs to report their tagged deer within 24 hrs with gfp in person or by phone along with tag number.
1785	We need to raise nonresident license prices to be more in line with surrounding states that have mule deer.
1786	The change that was made to nonresident hunters restricted to hunt private land only if applying after the draw for rifle season has caused me not to apply for an archery tag. I put in for this last year and when the notice came out about white tail deer found to have CWD the land owner told me no hunting. I tried to get a refund sent my unopened license back but did not get a refund or any respond why. This was also true for my son-in-law we both lost are money. This cause use to cancel our trip and miss out on that deer season.
1787	You have made it very difficult for nonresidents to get licenses and all of the draws are very confusing. WAY to complicated. Nonresidents bring a lot of money into the SD economy. Why have you driven them away and forced them to explore other state opportunities? Private landowners would like more hunters to control deer and antelope numbers in some areas.
1788	While I haven't archery hunted the Hill Ranch unit, I do hunt other species there frequently. It certainly appears to me that the number of whitetailed deer in this area is excessive. If you walk the thickets in snow, you see 10-20 times the number of deer and coyote tracks that you do rabbit tracks or pheasant tracks. Whitetailed does are everywhere and any standing corn or milo is chewed off before January is over. I haven't seen a mule deer on this property in several years. So, I was somewhat surprised to see that the number of archery access permits for this area was severely limited. Perhaps you have been getting complaints about too many hunters. I don't know hunter success rates, but suspect they are somewhat low. I do believe that there are too many whitetails on this unit as they are eating much of the available food for small game and perhaps putting pressure on mule deer. Perhaps increase whitetail doe tags there during muzzleloader season to reduce numbers.
1789	Please provide additional antlerless whitetail tags!
1790	I feel the number of archery permits keeps increasing due to the increased challenges getting antlered rifle tags.
1791	There's way too many out nonresident hunters regardless of the season. If the same amount is maintained then prices should be increased accordingly.
1792	I have applied for non res gun mule deer hunt, with 3 plus preference points and many years of applying, I hunt on a private west ranch and have prepaid for the hunt over 5 years have gone by. Could there be a ranch voucher so I can get my hunt in prior to 65 years old
1793	DO NOT Create a Preference for Archery hunting. EVER! YOU Will lose Hunters on an already declining perspective.

1794	The only reason people are archery hunting is because of limited rifle in the points system and access permits. GFP is greedy and has ruined family hunting, local hunting, and going out with friends. Nothing is in the best interest of the hunters and it is a sad state of affairs when we see residence going to Colorado/Montana/Wyoming/Nebraska to avoid SD or prove a point to SDGFP that they should be disbanded and given back to state control rather than the commission. Poor management is not an excuse for more fees.
1795	If a unit has low population of deer then start restricting licenses but otherwise keep it the same as it is.
1796	Non residents should have lottery draw for archery tags the state makes it too easy to hunt for nonresident
1797	As an yearly archery hunter in eastern South Dakota, I rarely see another archery hunter. This, I believe, is because it is mostly private land and that many farmers are tired up with the harvest during the prime archery months. This is unlike the rifle season when more people are finished with harvesting and can spend more time hunting and in the field. I feel the eastern South Dakota archery numbers are just about right to nearly idea for the average archery hunter. Additional restrictions seem to be unwarranted in eastern S.D. at this time. I can not speak to archery hunting in the western portion of the state, since I don't hunt there. Thank you for asking my opinion.
1798	Non residents come out and shoot the first little mule deer they see so that they can say they killed a mule deer. Look how that has impacted Nebraska right now
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1800	Keep over the counter (unlimited) archery tags.
1801	The amount of nonresident hunters on public is getting more and more popular and there needs to be a limit on how many nonresidents are aloud on public lands. Maybe have a draw for nonresident hunters for public land
1802	#1, RESIDENTS SHOULD ONLY GET ONE ARCHERY BUCK LICENSE. GET RID OF THE EAST RIVER AND WEST RIVER BUCK OPTION, OR GET RID OF THE STATEWIDE OPTION. Two archery buck tags is unnecessary and I would assume it has impacts to the west river public land mule deer population. \\#2 Regarding NON RESIDENTS: I agree there may need to be some sort of quota or limitations for non-res archery hunters but I hope we can still provide ample opportunities for non-residents to come enjoy our state. \\An Alternative I would propose for non-residents would include 3 tag options. 1st a quota of any deer licenses that are open to all land ownerships (public and private) via lottery. 2nd a generous quota of any whitetail licenses that are open to all land ownerships (public and private) via lottery. With a third option for Any Deer private land only licenses (OTC type). One license per person. Make the application period align with the rifle season, the current application period for non resident archery hunters seems like it was targeted to be missed. \\Thank you
1803	I don't see any flaws to our archery deer system. I started to archery hunt after it got so hard to draw a whitetail rifle license in the union and Lincoln counties that my family has land in. I enjoy to hunt so archery has allowed me to get back out. As far as public walk in land goes you'll always have someone else there as well. It's just how it goes. The surrounding Sioux Falls area is always growing and you see more and more hunters every year.
1804	Would like the non res archery private land tag only to go back to how it was, the new way restricts me to strictly private because of not knowing if I can get off of work to go hunting
1805	Move rifle season so itâ€™s no during the prime of the rut!!!!!!!!!!!!
1806	I think nonresident hunters should be given a "buck" antlered animal tag only west river. Keep mule deer does from being harvested but still give nonresidents a chance and to continue to help local businesses with the money they bring in.
1807	Keep up the good work.
1808	I am not seeing much competition in the areas I hunt. I am not feeling crowded at all, either on public or private land. I probably spend more time hunting than most since I am retired. I hunt 3 private land areas in Grant County and one private area and one public area in day county.\\Please don't start setting new regulations restricting hunting opportunities because of some complainers in certain areas. Be very clear about identifying a real need for this.

1809	I believe the current system is good but if any changes get rid of state wide and make the liscense just east or west river. Also there are many areas where more anterless tags should be put out maybe even a youth doe tag or mentor tag for doe only.
1810	I see fewer deer each year. It's time to limit the number of tags for archery the same as we do for rifle hunting. More hunting pushes the deer from their natural environment. The other states have limited their access and numbers of tags so they just move on to less regulated states
1811	The right to hunt South Dakota animals should be reserved and skewed in favor of South Dakota residents. Non-residents should be extremely limited as to not take away from one of the great privileges of living within the state - hunting.
1812	We need a conservation officer in Kingsbury County. To many poached deer/ road hunters in this county.
1813	Even though there was an increase in hunters how many archery deer were taken? If it not broke don't fix it!
1814	I hunt private land and do not want to see any current or future restrictions on my ability to secure an archery tag as a non-resident South Dakota tax-paying landowner. \\Thank you. \\Frank Williamson
1815	I understand the quagmire that fish and wildlife folks have to deal with regarding people number management scenarios. I am an out-of-stater who loves to come to SD to hunt, just not every year. I used a guided service on private land. The land owner(s) control the hunt numbers in line with what they think their lands can support regarding offtake.
1816	Shorten the archery seasons. October 1st would be a better start time. Start a separate crossbow season during archery season, maybe the two weeks preceding gun season. I believe it would be huge economic impact. Sales of crossbows and accessories would increase. Maybe crossbow hunters would not hunt regular archery seasons and lessen the archery hunting pressure, or have a choice of hunting regular archery season or crossbow season but not both. Thanks.
1817	I would hate for us to ever get to a place where we need to draw and archery tag!! Llimit out of state before you limit residents. Most archery hunters I know either shoot a nice one or don't shoot one at all so I don't believe archery hunters are devastating the population in any way. I personally don't ever archery hunt until October, although I understand and have no problem with starting in Sept as I assume it spreads hunters out in populated public areas... I could care less if you limit public limited access tags but certainly oppose limiting private land archery tags available..
1818	I believe non residents should be allowed access to National funded public ground such as refuges, grasslands and national forests at the beginning of the regular archery season (Sept 1 currently). These are federal funded lands owned by non residents and residents. I also STRONGLY believe youth should be given a discount on any deer tags. Could be \$50 for youth to harvest a bucket vs current \$286. Youth deserve a chance to harvest a buck or an antlerless deer at a discount. Hunter numbers are going down nationwide and we need more people to keep our voice and presence.
1819	I hunt public land throughout the state. I feel the mule deer numbers have went down significantly the last couple years. I think overall our mule deer population is in trouble. I think buck tags should have a size limit restriction such as a 3 or 4 point rule. I think non resident archery tags should be limited and a draw. I think non resident archery licenses should increase in price.
1820	State ground that has actual trees on the east river get hit hard for deer. A good option is no stands left unattended on public ground.
1821	If there truly are concerns about the number of deer hunters each year, the first group that should be eliminated or restricted is the non-resident hunters.
1822	I respect the sdgfp. I feel they have more data to make these decisions. I will abide by any decision they make
1823	Fall River deer's; the ag water mgmt district is teaming with deer. Yet you manage it the exact same way as Ardmont or Edgemont (dry waste land with few deer) More tags are needed in the water mtg dist. \\You can spread bow hunters out by starting the season earlier. Hundreds of archers would like a shot at a velvet buck. Those hunters would tag out earlier and leaving more space in the prime season.
1824	Should treat archery just like rifle

1825	Leave it how it is. I grew up in SD and lived there for most of my life. I now live in ND but I have family land that I hunt on in SD. Please don't make it harder for us non residents to hunt.
1826	For nonresidents I think we should either increase the price for the tag or even make it so it takes two or three years of preference points. Also keep the system the way it is. The chance to go hunt west river and east river for bow is great. Bowhunters I feel respect people and the land they hunt on alot better than a guy who comes out to shoot whatever with a gun.
1827	I was upset at changes to the application for archery permit for my normal unit and missed the opportunity to hunt in my own backyard because of small permit size
1828	Start season later like the last weekend of September
1829	No more non resident licenses. Period!\SD Game, Fish and Parks has single handedly destroyed hunting in South Dakota, I attempted to apply for licenses for this fall and the cluster ##### of a application system that has been implemented is a ##### joke. FIX IT! I had HOURS attempting to apply for tags.
1830	Reduce the amount of non-resident archery deer tags œboth whitetail and mule deer• and raise the price per non-resident deer tags for both firearm and archery.
1831	Need to put archery in the normal deer draw. And not let ppl buy preference for units they are not applying for first round. To get the point creep under control i know it would t be a popular decision. This would also affect me because i apply for everything in the state for deer. But why do i get to buy points for something that is not my first choice. More than likely a money thing i get it. And to finish your new system still sucks. I do multiple states in the west and South Dakota website is the worst
1832	Thanks SDGFP!!!
1833	I believe the problem with over hunting and crowding of public lands are due to the vehicle access to the center of our public lands. Each year, swarms of out of state (and in state) hunters come to get their deer on public land. The way it is set up, vehicles are not limited to parking areas, but have access to drive directly through hunting access while road hunting for their deer. This example can be proven in areas towards the mouth of the White River and by the Kiowa area past Arrowhead (Cedar Shore). That set of state land has vehicles circling from sunrise to sunset while any season is going on. Opening rifle for West River and throughout pheasant season. If there were more public land parcels that were foot traffic only, the experience would be more enjoyable as a resident archery hunter. I believe deer would start using areas again if food was available on public land fields like it used to be and people were restricted to using their feet to travel rather than driving through land and driving out deer.
1834	I believe a person should be able to take on buck per season not shoot as many bucks as many tags u have. Way to many bucks being killed
1835	S.D. GF&P has made it painfully clear that they want to discourage non-resident public land archery hunters from coming to South Dakota, as evidenced by both the early application deadline and the extremely limited window that licenses are actually available to purchase online. If there is an issue with certain zones being over-pressured, then those units should directly be addressed, instead of limiting hunters everywhere indirectly by the previously mentioned application dates and purchasing window.
1836	if you plan to impose additional restrictions on bow hunting, I would hope is starts with the non resident tags
1837	No opinion regarding archery deer hunting.
1838	See way to many nonresident archery hunters for deer/antelope. Some days you see more of them than residents. Need to be more concerned with your residents needs than gaining a dollar off the non residents. Most public lands are getting overgrown where I hunt and need cleared out. Used to be able to see ridge tops and sides of draws but it is all solid trees now.
1839	Please consider adding an archery only fall turkey season to correspond with the archery deer season
1840	Keep adding more public land. Separate the state east and west for archery deer but still keep it relatively easy for non residents to get archery tag. Let non residents start earlier than Oct. 1.\A limited draw for archery tag would be ok, but move it into middle summer....otherwise too many people will be securing tags then drawing other western tags and not actually using the archery tag... effectively "using them up" for others.

1841	Two deer a year limit, but as many tags as you want, once two kills are made, your season is done till next year, fair for everybody
1842	You did not give very good choices on options\No unlimited tags anywhere and should be a draw system based on the current rifle units\5-10 areas statewide makes no sense. This would only make things more confusing and harder to manage. Crazy idea.
1843	A raise in non-resident tag prices with the current OTC system would be the most beneficial. Hopefully this gets brought up again with legislation.
1844	Out of state tags are way to cheap, if you compare them to our neighboring states.
1845	I really like that non-residents can't archery hunt public land the first month of the season. I would like to see further reductions in the # of non-residents that can archery hunt public land.
1846	For non resident we have to buy a tag before april 1 should be allowed to buy over counter because we might not be able to come due several reasons like covid or cost thank you
1847	No
1848	The amount of out-of-state hunters in South Dakota is absolutely ridiculous when it comes to hunting deer. The tags are WAY to cheap for them first off and we don't have the numbers to be giving away tags to that many out-of-state hunters. Pheasant hunting, different story. Ample birds all over certain parts of the state. But deer hunting, whether it be archery or rifle, there's not enough numbers to work for that many out-of-staters. I would like to see the tags stay the same in terms of getting one west AND east river or statewide, it works well for people who live on different sides of the river to have a chance at shooting a whitetail or a mule deer with their bows and not just being limited to just one side. A majority of hunters spend time on their side of the state, hunting religiously out of their stands/blinds or stalking deer and then take a week or two off to go try for the other side of the river and to get a different type of hunting.
1849	Archery tags are easy to get I love archery hunting but to get our state numbers back up I think we should do the draw system that way the tags a limited to state wide, east and west river yes you could still apply for all but you only get 1 buck tag and then anything else restrict to doe only.
1850	Allow muzzleloader hunters the ability to use power scopes
1851	I completely disagree with the change of only being able to apply for 2 deer season a year for rifle hunting. Since this change it takes so many point to draw tags that relatively would have been easy to draw before are now much harder to draw then before that change was made. My family and I eat primarily venison and antelope. The archery tags are my one guarantee to secure some meat and my enjoyment of hunting each year. I am completely against limiting the number of over the counter licenses to SD resident, rather limit non residents. Limiting resident tags will only push serious archery hunters like myself to surrounding states. This will take revenue away from the state of SD and cost me more in the long run.
1852	Last year I did not see a mature buck .
1853	I used to hunt South Dakota more and buy more licenses there. But now that the residents get to hunt a month earlier than non residents I don't hunt SD as much. That and seeing all of the residents who get 5-10 tags a year and then they complain about me as a non resident with one tag. SD isn't what it used to be.
1854	Really hoping you good folks start offering out of state Rifle hunters.\\It has been a long time since I have been able to take a deer and have only had one shot with Archery. No luck.

1855	As a perennial non-resident hunter from Minnesota, I enjoy the opportunity to hunt in your great state. I also frequent Lower Brule because I can get a western hunting experience without having to drive 14 hours. I like that I can count on getting a statewide license if I apply before 4/1 annually. Having the option to hunt statewide gives me the flexibility I desire, so that I can spend the summer daydreaming about a fun new part of SD to visit, come autumn. If your herd(s) are seeing decreases in population, I suggest limiting non-residents to one archery tag, to be valid statewide for either species, except for the 4 draw areas. \The peace of mind that comes from knowing that I can count on a SD tag to be reasonably priced and in my pocket come 10/1 will keep me (and likely many others) from considering ND and NE as viable alternatives.\I be south of Chamberlain with my bow this year, and in Lower Brule in November. Thank you for being my neighbor and for perennially making my autumns something I look forward all year!!!
1856	I cannot complain about anything personally. I think everything is set up good the way it is. I like the option of having an east river tag and then the option to get a west river tag
1857	Leave everything as it is in regard to archery. The number of hunters seem to go up and down as fads wear out and most of them quit hunting when it starts getting cold and believe it or not during the rut depending on the weather. If you want to restrict anything cut down on the number of rifle hunters.
1858	I've applied for a nonresident west river gun license for 6 years without getting drawn. My only option is a archery license. I'm 72 years old and might not live long enough to get gun license. Please leave archery license as they are for nonresident. Thanks
1859	I'm a non-resident archery hunter. I appreciate that you give the 1st month to residents. That was a good change. I think you are going to have to restrict licenses at some point due to pressure on public. I've seen a marked increase in pressure specifically non-resident archery mule deer hunters , probably close to double and triple since my first visit in 2010.
1860	With each tag should come a lesson about SD Hunting ethics.
1861	Consider allocating archery deer licenses similar to firearms deer licenses.
1862	The unlimited quota for archery licences has not only led to too many archers in the field... but far too many "wound and release" circumstances with disastrous results for some really nice bucks. \As with anything in life, opportunity too comes under "easy come, easy go..." philosophies.\However when the opportunity is restricted and comes for only a few, the value of said opportunity goes up dramatically...\just sayin...
1863	I feel that they should have to apply for a tag the same as a rifle hunter does. In my opinion and what I have seen in my area, they trespass more often due to the deer traveling farther after shot, or they shoot and kill them and never do find them because of poorly placed arrows.
1864	Is sad when residents can't find hunting ground because out of stater pay ridiculous amounts to hunt that residents can't afford
1865	I'm handicapp and work very hard to get 1 or2 deer to eat . Thanks for giving me a chance to hunt!!
1866	Shouldn't many of these decisions be based directly off the deer populations and if the hunting density change has had any affect on the populations? Many of these hunters will likely not go out more than a couple weekends. Does this increase actually result in a drastic change in harvest? Without any information on the harvest rate to hunting density, I don't believe this survey can bring any educated feels form the population on this matter. If people don't have this information then we are basing these decisions on uneducated feelings? I don't believe we should limit anyone's hunting opportunities based on feelings from uninformed people.
1867	I have family that I would like to hunt with, they can't get a license.
1868	Lessen non-resident archery hunter. \GFP needs to priority resident hunters.

1869	- [] The technological advances in archery along with increased interest in mule deer has drastically shown its effects in western South Dakota. I understand the financial impact of archery tags to our GFP Department, however; our hunting pressure on the deer in western South Dakota is rising exponentially. The "Information Age" is amongst us and many hunters are flocking to our state to shoot a 2-3 year old mule deer. Not to be directed at non-residents alone, residents have shown a newfound interest in taking up archery hunting as well. While setting the non-resident opener to October 1st did seem to help, the pressure is on, on our mule deer herd. Cutting (Draw System) non-resident archery tags is not as cut and dry as some would assume, however it could be a step in the right direction, as well as increasing tag cost would have a chance at straightening the curve for a more quality experience for residents. Instead of cutting resident tags as well, opening more walk-in and landlocked public land could have better public support to better spread out hunters. The money for non-resident tags will still come in, many people pay upward of \$400 to deer hunt in surrounding western states, so I do not believe we will see a large drop of people (nonresidents) applying. By setting a archery draw system for non-residents we will be able to set parameters on how many people are still paying the increased cost to hunt our great state, and managing for slightly better quality deer.
1870	Too many nonresident archery hunters pushing game off public and onto private land.
1871	its not broke so dont fix it
1872	Expand the ability to get to land lock public ground, or have available information how hunters can cross section lines to access the land lock ground. So that land owners can't bully archery hunters or rifle hunters.
1873	I used to love going to South Dakota deer archery hunting. When they switched the season opener to sept 1 it was a wonderful thing. Then after the first year they no longer let non residents hunt public land during that time frame which turned me off to applying there in the future.
1874	I don't understand why game and fish changed the dates for out of state and resident hunters for the archery season. This is the first time in 21 years didn't buy a archery tag. I think it's dumb to have the archery season for out-of-state hunters to start October 1. And if they hunt in the hills which I do that's the first day of rifle elk season and when you're hunting Public land during rifle season with a bow it's really unfair. And then you guys wanna double the tag fee for out-of-state hunters and yet limit them to the time they get to hunt. It took me five years to get my rifle Hills deer tag which is I think a bit extreme, I remember when you can buy a deer tag over the counter as a kid when I was a South Dakota resident and I believe they're the same amount of deer as there was before or probably even more since you give out less tags. I wish you guys would let the season start September 1 for out-of-state hunters on public land because I don't pay an outfitter to hunt. I get with the whole 35L issue during the archery season with the out-of-state hunters the ranchers are upset and obviously the ranchers have more power because I think this is why you guys changed the date and the rules. I would like to talk with someone about this issue more if possible?
1875	Keep archery hunting the way it is
1876	Archery season should be open for residents and non residents the same time. There shouldn't be staggered season for private and public land.
1877	Increasing non resident tag prices to be more in line with Western states (even if only on mule deer) could help reduce out of state pressure. \Otherwise an over the counter with caps approach could be taken for the WR101 tags
1878	I really like the current archery tag system and think it should remain the way it is. As far as number of resident to non-resident hunters I am not sure since I do not know all the factors
1879	Im tired of putting time all year to scout land just to have it tainted by the out of state hunters that come and bombard the areas and not have any respect for the people already hunting an area this happens every year
1880	It would be nice to go back when resident and non resident seasons opened at the same time

1881	Allow nonresident archery any deer tags based on a limited draw statewide or per unit based. Base the nonresident archery tag allotments based on prior years rifle tags. If there are 1000 any deer rifle tags given to hunters in year prior in a unit, base the next years any deer nonresident archery tags based on 15% of that number as a draw and point system. $1,000 \times 15\% = 150$ nonresident archery deer tags per unit. Similar to North Dakota's system. I usually have to wait 2-3 years to hunt archery mule deer in southwest ND. They gave around 500-600 any deer tags out for nonresident archers the last few years.
1882	I like the option of splitting east/west into more archery units. You could build off of that and open specific archery seasons instead of the current tag that is open for 4 months. I also feel this should be implemented in rifle season to eliminate the amount of hunters. Average hunter is in the field 3 days. We could take the current rifle season and make 2 seasons with 1 week. You could even make a 3rd that has limited number of tags that span the entire 2 weeks. I also feel there needs to be a resident youth rifle any deer season. We have so many tags left in the 4th/5th draw. Why don't we utilize those tags to the youth any deer season. Open it in September or October and give the most important hunters a shot at a buck before the regular season opens. Happy to discuss if anyone wants to call #####
1883	put a limit on lic. and draw for tags like rifle . only fair way
1884	On a different note, let's quit breaking things that aren't broke.
1885	I don't think there are any issues with the current archery deer structure. But if a majority of responses do, I would suggest an alternative to what was presented in this survey. I think a reasonable solution would be to zone the state out more than just east/West River. An easy split would be separating out the black hills fd, and then split east and west river by highway 14. This would give you 5 units/zones for archery. Residents pick 2 zones,. Nonresident pick 1 zone.
1886	As a hunter of the Custer national forest in the past I was happy to see a restriction on the number of hunters put on before it became an issue. I do not have experience in many other areas of the state to speak from. I am glad to be able to still purchase a license every year but if the state becomes over crowded like other states I would not be opposed to a draw to keep the quality of hunting up.
1887	Before deciding on # of licenses, do a study on population of deer first to get a better idea on how many licenses should be issued. Allow residents to purchase archery licenses as they do now but do a draw for non-residents.
1888	Need to greatly increase the number of limited access areas or start breaking down the tags into Regions! perhaps regional tags on the east and west ones and make the statewide tags tougher to get.
1889	There needs to be more Game wardens in any county that has many licenses such as Lincoln and union county to watch for illegal access on private property from archery hunters. Also, archery and rifle season should run at the same time only so archery hunters don't have first access at hunting deer. We need to limit non resident licenses in archery and rifle seasons. If there are leftover licenses we should offer those to sd residents first.
1890	Another tag option would be to do like in states where you have to earn a buck accept do a buy a state wide tag then after you fill that tag you would have the option of purchasing an additional tag that would be valid for hunting the opposite side of the state
1891	Most archery hunters don't fill their tags so we shouldn't reduce the amount given out
1892	I think how it is right now is fine. If the issue is in regards to too many hunters and not enough deer, remove youth hunting and the season for youth hunting, and restore age limit of 12 to hunt in SD.
1893	Instead of restricting residents. Increase the price and restrict out of state hunters. Put them in a draw as to type of deer to harvest and how many tags available to them. It is hard and expensive enough to go to others states and hunt there wildlife. Thanks
1894	In my opinion mule deer are a dying breed. Do I love to hunt them absolutely but I am worried that if things keep going as they are my son's and daughter won't have the opportunity that I have. I know in Charlesmix where I live our mule deer are almost non existent any more and it is sad to see. In my opinion I think there should be mule deer protection areas or something along those lines. Or special draw to be able to hunt them archery. I don't know the answer but I do know that loosing even one in our area is a huge hit to the population right now and I hope you guys will do something about it before it's to late and they are gone forever.

1895	I would like to see the statistics on number of harvested animals along with the increase in number of hunters. Is harvest going up along with number of hunters? I also think crossbow should be it's own condensed season. It is almost like shooting a gun. \Thanks
1896	Reduce rifle tags. Require archery hunters to punch there tag before tracking so to encourage more ethical shots I hunt public land and see and here Storys of hunter's shooting and loosing 3 or more deer per season far to many deer being wasted. Offer a separate licenses for November archery call it a Rut tag and charge twice as much as a regular license for both resident and non. Regular license invalid during November you must hold a rut tag to harvest a buck.
1897	I think the nonresident lincenses in the four permit areas should be restricted but any resident should be able to access them. Also the nonresident prices should increase. When I choose to hunt out of state I pay far more than people pay to come here.
1898	SD is the first state to come up for pronghorn and mule deer on online forums and platforms (e.g. YouTube) when people ask about where to hunt. The two compelling points that always come up are that the tags are unlimited and super cheap compared to all other states. While this is great to get more people to travel to SD, it's damaging to SD residents and their perception of SD GFP's image of prioritizing the resident hunters of the state over non-resident hunters. Limited draws for non-resident and steeper tag prices to compensate for the reduction in sales of tags under the current unlimited tag program makes the most sense and would appease resident hunters the most. Wyoming, Nebraska, and Montana all have similar programs for non-residents (incredibly steep tag price included) and it doesn't seem to dissuade non-residents from applying in droves there. \Non-residents in the above states (WY, NE, MT, etc.), myself included, are happy to pay \$400+ for a non-resident tag for pronghorn and deer tags along with \$30-\$40/year for preferences points for each species. SD is way behind on the tag allocation and tag prices for non-residents, which is great for non-residents, but the resident hunters are the ones hurting (look at the pronghorn herd numbers in 2022) (obviously there are more factors than non-resident hunters hitting the pronghorn herds) and will continue to hurt going forward as SD becomes an archery hot-spot year-after-year for non-residents.\Thanks for opening this to the public for comment. Appreciate having a chance to voice an opinion. Thanks for all that y'all do!
1899	Raise the price of your licenses for resident and non resident.\If they really want to hunt they'll pay it.
1900	Don't know why you are F'n with this - kind of like the rifle deer licenses you F'd UP.
1901	NEED to limit nonresident archery! 50% of mule deer bucks are taken by nonresidents! the GFP is to be the stewards of our resources NOT the tourism department.
1902	I believe there is no need to change anything for archery, I believe the rifle season is the problem. There are a ton of people hunting public land during rifle season. That is why my group of friends choose to go for archery, it gives us more options. Right now no need to change the boundaries but if you do change I would say open more up for archery(it's harder to get one-50 yard range or less) vs a rifle 200+ Yards. Make rifle put in for zones.
1903	Nonresident hunting is too cheap (most other western states are > 350 dollars) and too ample opportunity compare to other western states . Maintain the ability of residents to access unlimited archery permits with some special access permits. Charge more for NR and limit to draw units and < 10% of annual avg resident archery license sales.
1904	Do not make nonresidents put in for there archery tag by april 1st to hunt public land because if youre also Appling for a rifle deer tag you may end up with 2 tags a rifle and a archery for public land which may harvest 2 deer instead of 1
1905	Limit the number of nonresident hunters and require a draw for nonresidents.
1906	Get rid of the October 1st start date for non-residents. Residents and non-residents should have same start date.
1907	There is no reason to have the ability to shoot as many bucks as we currently can. I have 4 buck tags currently when combined with rifle, and that is ridiculous that it's an option. An additional consideration could be to limit people to there first 2 choices of tags whether that be rifle or archery. Then just don't open archery applications until after rifle draw or run them at the same time.

1908	I'm new to bow hunting and like the fact that it's easy to get a license.
1909	Nonresident archery tags should not be a guaranteed OTC tags, there should be limited draws to non resident tags and tag holders should have to apply for certain units and only hunt within that unit.
1910	Less regulation is more freedom. I understand the need to register a healthy population within reason and limited overreach from the government.
1911	Difficult to answer a lot of these questions without knowing the success rate. Number of archery hunters should depend on population statistics and how many deer are taken.
1912	Another approach to assessing hunter density on public land would be asking "How many times on an archery hunt have you come across another archery hunter in the same public land parcel?" The number of 'hunter to hunter' interactions that occur may be a good indicator if archery tags are worth limiting/restricting.
1913	Triple the price of the non resident archery license and that will temporarily reduce the number of non resident archery hunters, especially the hunters targeting mule deer bucks on public land. South Dakota is the closest and cheapest state for many non resident hunters to shoot a mule deer buck.
1914	Don't reduce the number of non-resident licenses. It's already difficult enough with having to purchase an archery license in March for public land before you know if you've drawn a firearm tag.
1915	The number of tags sold matters less than the numbers of tags filled.
1916	I think that for all mule deer hunting where whitetails also cohabitate there should be an earn a buck program, where you have to kill a whitetail doe before you can hunt a mule deer buck. This would do 2 things reduce the number of people out there just flinging arrows hoping to get a mule deer buck if there is a barrier to entry to get the right of hunting a mule deer buck, also will hopefully reduce the competitive pressure that whitetails place on mule deer if a few more whitetail does are removed.
1917	I feel there are too many nonresident tags issued and a lot of those hunters utilize public hunting. I understand it's the money they bring in that keeps it appealing to continue issuing that many nonresident tags. As a resident, I pretty much gave up on archery deer hunting due to the amount of hunting pressure on public lands.
1918	In my opinion the season is too long for archery. I have 2 weeks to get my buck that I've been drawing for years. Archery guys can go get a buck tag easily and then get all season to mess around hunting deer. Makes no sense to me personally. Also I will have to say a crossbow should be considered in archery just a opinion of a SD resident.
1919	Need to get a better relationship with some land owners and make stiffer fines for people who can't respect a landowner's wishes and reunions it for other hunters in the area.
1920	Need to limit nonresident at least for mule deer and they should only be able to have 1 tag statewide.
1921	I disagree with restricting non-resident hunting start dates on national public ground. As a citizen of the United States of America I should have same access for hunting and other recreational activities on federal land as any other citizen, resident or non-resident alike.
1922	Restrict non resident hunters or limit the days they can hunt like one two weeks after Sept 1.
1923	Stop giving away so many doe tags
1924	Out of state hunters are ruining it for everybody, especially the ones from Minnesota. They drive everywhere in their UTV's and have no regard for anybody else. The last time I hunted in the hills a Minnesota hunter in a UTV drove right up to my ground blind and hollered "have you seen any?" Then he got mad when I told him to get away from me. Said it was public land and he could be where he wanted. Cut the number of nonresident licenses.
1925	Please don't limit out of state archery hunts on private land. I own property in SD and only hunt my property. I already have no option to get a rifle tag and my only option to hunt deer in SD is a archery tag.

1926	The survey didn't ask about equipment restrictions, but my greatest concern is the liberalization of policies regarding the use of crossbows during archery season. I believe that South Dakota currently requires a "doctor's note" attesting to the inability of an individual to draw a compound bow. This seems reasonable to me as long as the policy is not abused. I have heard that loosening the rules around the use of crossbows during archery season has increased hunter density in states that have gone that direction. I worry that because crossbows (especially those with scopes) have a longer range relative to compound bows, they pose safety and sporting risks to archery hunting. I love hunting archery season because the woods are generally quiet, the animals are close, and I hunt with a peace of mind knowing that archery hunters tend to be a bit more serious and calculating in their craft, compared to the wide spectrum of hunters that come out for rifle season. Long story short-- please keep crossbows out of SD archery seasons (except for those with a documented disability)
1927	Early registration for public hunting should be re-evaluated.
1928	It ain't broke don't try to fix it! You're already messing up the rifle seasons - don't follow suit with archery!!!
1929	Raise the non resident rates
1930	The problem Congress down to the local pheasant season. There is too many non resident pheasant hunters over hunting public lands making it difficult for local residents to have a successful archery hunt. Limit non resident licences or shorten the season or allow certain public lands to be archery only.
1931	With the increased talks in other western states (Ex. Wyoming) of cutting non-resident tags to 10% it's safe to say NR hunting will increase in SD if tags are kept OTC. I would imagine many people would use the OTC as a last resort if tags aren't drawn in other states. I do like the idea of placing a cap, say 10-15% on NR if these continue to rise. A side note of the western half of SD; According to the 2020 archery survey, 1,112 mule deer bucks were harvested compared to 4,033 with a rifle on the 2020 survey (that's 362% more with a rifle). In total, archery hunters success rate (26%) compared to rifle hunters success rate (56%) while bow hunters spent ~8.41 days in the field compared to rifle hunters. I do understand there are more restrictions with rifle hunting units being applied but the success % compared to days in the field is a major difference. Rifle hunters are going to far outweigh bow hunters in determining the population, as well as size/age quality and total hunt experience quality of deer in South Dakota. Limiting tags to a region draw for archers and not allowing SD resident archers an opportunity to hunt both side of this beautiful state and experience both whitetail and mule deer hunting/country would be sad change to see.
1932	I think the only concerns I have are about the lack of rifle tags in in the hills.
1933	As I have run into the situation in several other surrounding states that limit nonresidents licenses to a small percentage of residents(maybe 5%), I think a similar formula should be developed in this state.
1934	West River pressure, specifically on public lands has been steadily increasing to the point of diminished enjoyment. Sand Lake is inundated by MN and WI license plates for archery whitetail.
1935	I see a lot of out of state hunters in the Black Hills while resident hunters are not able to get access a lot of the time. Non-Resident hunters are in quite a bit of our public land taking opportunities away from our Resident hunters. Personally as a general statement, limiting non resident licenses - especially big game - is far more pressing than limiting any of our access to licensing. The number of out of state vehicles in hunting areas has gone up exponentially in the last 3 years from what I have seen, and I'm out there hiking, hunting, and enjoying our public land often. I feel out of state hunters and outdoor enthusiasts are not as respectful to our public lands because it is not their backyard.
1936	Please lower/restrict the number of nonresident licenses, we need to grow the hunting culture within South Dakota and provide more opportunities for South Dakota residents and youth before we allow more nonresidents in.
1937	We should be able to get a any deer and anttler less with our tag. Maybe even purchase them separately. \Just a thought.
1938	Keep the non-resident over the counter private land archery tags. The tag does a good job of allowing land-owners to manage the local deer herd numbers and limiting crop damage at a minimal cost to the state.

1939	Make it a draw season for non residents, if they are lucky enough to get the tag then they can have the tag. Leave the resident license alone.
1940	I've been hunting ne sd as nonresident for 8 seasons and not the best hunting but very fun in private would hate any changes.
1941	I like that you can hunt both east river & west river with same tag knowing that you can still only take 1 deer
1942	No comment.
1943	Hunting pressure in all seasons has increased over the past 5 years, heightened by COVID. More control and more restrictions are needed to help make for a better outdoor experience. Controls and limits will allow for those that do have an opportunity to get out or draw a tag have a rewarding experience not running into other hunters/competing with others, while seeing strong game numbers while in the field. Blue tongue, non-resident pressure, increase in overall hunters, all have made it not as enjoyable as it used to be. Numbers of deer, turkeys, and antelope are all way down from visual observations. I would also encourage GFP to increase the CO patrols and make violations more severe. With this increased pressure and decline in game - violations should have zero tolerance. Especially those non-residents that disrespect our resources, fishing included!
1944	I do believe we have to limit resident archery any deer tags. In my area more deer are harvest with archery equipment over rifle.
1945	I am an older hunter and hunt entirely on private property. I think all residents should be able to get a license if they want to hunt. Part of the benefits for living here. Non-residents should be selected by a drawing if appropriate game is available.
1946	I would suggest removing the need to mail archery deer permits. They should be available for purchase and download from South Dakota game, fish, and parks website.
1947	I wonder if there needs to be a separate designation for the Black Hills from West River like there is for rifle deer hunting to better manage populations. I would prefer to see more archery hunters encouraged in place of rifle hunters. I don't know that limiting archery hunting is the best option except in areas where there are too many archery hunters creating access issues and excessive competition. If more people are archery hunting maybe that will help manage the overall deer harvest and can allow fewer rifle hunters.
1948	I think Your doing a great job. I have been a resident since 2019 and chose archery because of early season. I can be done processing before I go south for winters. Thanks and may God Bless You All.
1949	Way too easy for out of state hunters to archery hunt.
1950	I feel the current regulations and availability should remain the same since the success rate of archery hunting vs rifle hunting is much lower. Also the amount of people who apply for archery is lower than rifle hunters. Since more time, skill, and dedication is needed to achieve a successful archery hunt, I feel there should still be a fair, open opportunity for the passionate archery hunters to be able to automatically get a license without having to draw. Since our deer numbers seem to be increasing over the years I don't see the need to decrease the archery hunters chances of getting a tag.
1951	Hunting pressure is SD is pretty light when it comes to archery season in comparison to many other states
1952	Why stop nonresidents that purchase early from hunting sd state land? I do not believe you can legally restrict nonresidents on federal land as they are owners as much as the residents are.
1953	I hope that there would be no reason to restrict the limit on archery tags available to residents. It's already terrible how hard it is to get a rifle tag. Bow hunting is a huge part of my life. I spend a tremendous amount of time in a treestand every year, and very rarely do I ever harvest an animal.
1954	SD Bowhunters Association is behind this are they not? Why can I purchase many rifle licenses in 4th and 5th go round and only have 2 max for archery? The number of hunters on private land is none of your business, its up to the landowner how many he lets hunt.
1955	The SD license structure is very complicated and restrictive. To have 2nd third and 4th draws is painful at best. I understand the need for deer management I just haven't seen the results. There are thousands of deer where I hunt and I dont draw a tag every year. Its crazy.
1956	Make designated walk in areas deer only. No upland or water fowl

1957	Give archers 1 tag statewide. Limit nonresidents if there is too much pressure.
1958	Yea don't change anything
1959	I believe that there too many archery options and tags let out .
1960	I hunt private land in the east river so the I have no opinion of the public land hunting in the west of the state.
1961	There is attacks on every portion on hunting and especially public land hunting. We need to make the "pie" bigger and work on better access, not restricting hunters. Yes there are more hunters on the land scape but we need that to maintain our current position and hopefully better it for future generations.
1962	In SD, antlerless season runs way too late! How many older age class bucks get killed after they shed their antlers? I'm always finding sheds before Christmas.
1963	why when you apply and are denied a special buck tag Can't you apply for first draw ?????
1964	Not happy with the requirement of non-resident archery hunters to have to apply in the spring to be able to hunt public land. In fact, since this rule has gone into effect, my brother and I have not come back archery hunting. We apply for a non-resident west river gun license but do not find out until summer whether or not we were drawn. Before I would wait until then to buy archery license as we're not able to come back for both. Rapidly losing interest in coming back home to hunt with family!
1965	I feel some state parks, for example, Union Grove State Park, should be open to hunting when archery deer season begins and not October 1st. This limits the people who are only able to hunt those specific areas. Access to private land is becoming harder to obtain.
1966	Please don't change anything, this is the one tag that we are garinteed, and some years this is the only tag I get. Hunting is getting to commercialized and not about the hunt.
1967	I personally would like to be able to attain a east or west river any deer bow tag and 1 anterless deer. thank you.
1968	Limit nonresident archery tags to no more than 10% of total archery tags sold. Cap the amount of nonresident archery any deer tags sold and make it a draw for the any deer tag. Whitetail archery tags could remain OTC for nonresidents. Split the tags east and west river so nonresidents would have to choose rather than being able to have a statewide tag. For residents, get rid of the statewide archery option and only have east and west river archery tags where residents could purchase one or both.
1969	To many people bowhunting regardless of where there from. I would much rather have a quality hunt if that means cutting opportunity, I'm all for it.
1970	I am fortunate to have a small amount of land both east and west river that I can hunt. I would rather see fewer non-resident deer hunters than restrict areas from residents or put a cap on the number of licenses. I would like to see the harvest numbers in both categories in relation to the number of tags. Not everyone who gets a tag arrows a deer. Thank you
1971	My opinion is to increase the non-resident archery hunt license fees. The non-resident category is growing too fast and pressuring public land use, displacing resident public land hunters.
1972	If your worried about to many tags just eliminate the non resident tags. All your changes in all the hunting seasons is just ruins the tradition of hunting in SD. Your lucky to get a rifle tag every 3 years the way it is. All we have left is the archery tag!
1973	I don't like the access permit restrictions. It's public land so we should be able to hunt it if we buy a tag
1974	Some ideas: If a person draws a special access permit (Custer national forest etc) they are limited to that area for west river and cant access any other public land outside that unit. I think the east river tag allocation is fine. There is enough room to spread out and not a ton of NR pressure. I like limiting NRs to October start date. Obtain more public access would allow people to spread out more.

1975	<p>I think making archery tags more restrictive and harder to get for residents is a colossal mistake. I'm unsure what the harvest success rate is, but am guessing it isn't anywhere near what the rifle hunters harvest rate is. Archery hunters are notoriously better stewards of the land, and ethical hunters. I archery hunt whitetail on a small private piece of land in Lincoln county. Four years running, the target deer I've been after has been shot during the rifle season from a hunter that uses a pickup as their deer stand. If we want to protect our sport, and teach our kids the right way to hunt, we should be promoting more kids and adults to get in to archery hunting. I'd also guess that trespassing, and poaching is much less of an issue than it is with rifle hunters. I realize it still happens, but it's much more difficult. I'd love to see stiffer penalties for people that are caught chasing deer, shooting from vehicles, etc. In my opinion, the biggest enabler of illegal/unethical hunting tactics are the season dates alone. The rifle season is always during the middle of the rut, where deer are out in the open, near roadways, at all hours of the day. This is especially problematic for the east river season. Most of the land east river, at least where I typically hunt has a road at every mile line, with cover and habitat getting more hard to come by, there is literally almost nowhere a deer has a chance to escape to. If it's spotted in the middle of a section, the "hunters" surround it with vehicles and wait for it to make a break for it. This is not hunting. Don't get me wrong, I love to rifle hunt too, but am sick and tired of tons of great deer being killed illegally. Again, if we want to protect our hunting heritage, we should be promoting more people to take up archery hunting, and not restricting it. I love being able to have a tag east river where I can hunt all season 20 minutes from home. I also go out west river archery hunting for about 4 days a year, so if I was forced to choose between the two, I would not get a west river tag. The success rate of my west river tag in those 4 days is about 25%. With limited time, and a lot of miles in between, it's just too hard to put in the time out there to kill one every year, and that's just fine with me. It's the love of the sport and challenge that keeps me spending thousands of dollars a year on fuel, equipment, hotel stays, restaurants etc. My wife would probably be thrilled if archery tags were more restricted and i had to choose between the two, but the revenue that's generated from resident hunters traveling across the state would suffer, and so would small towns like Buffalo, SD that rely heavily on the revenue that seasonal hunters generate for their local businesses.</p>
1976	<p>I can never hunt my family property on the east river, please help me figure this out, near new holland</p>
1977	<p>I live in and hunt around Vermillion. Therefore, I did not give an opinion about mule deer. I am friends with several West and East river farmers who are losing crops to deer. Where I hunt along the Missouri River, I see deer herds of 20+ routinely. I realize there needs to be a balance to grow big bucks but more antlerless need to be harvested. It is good the archery season is long. I think the rifle season should be extended so a person could harvest and process one then get a second tag and still have time to harvest a second deer.</p>
1978	<p>Our non-resident tags are too cheap, and we are the lone state allowing unlimited non-resident tags. Overall this number can effect the total number of resident archery and resident firearm tags allocated in the future. Other states are not as lenient with tags for SD residents, so why should we be lenient with their residents?</p>
1979	<p>Questions for consideration: 1) Might the pandemic have had an impact on the increase in the number of hunters in 2021? ...and if so...does that increase warrant changing the parameters for archery hunting? 2) What do the numbers look like for this year? If they are similar, then the parameters may need to be changed.</p>
1980	<p>Only doe unit in bon homme county needs to be taken off. Population getting to many but can't hunt them because of the restriction. Landowners wanting does taken but can cause they not in the doe only boundary. Something needs to change.</p>
1981	<p>Archery deer season starts to early. Archery hunters stop in the middle of the road on county roads and state highways. They are a nuisance when people are trying to move combines, grain trucks, hay trailers, etc. Archery hunters that aren't local are rude and think they own our private lands and can do whatever they want whenever they want. They leave vehicles wherever they want and not off the road far enough for safety of automobiles and machinery.</p>
1982	<p>Don't change the good thing you have going where us non residents can plan a trip in January for the upcoming fall and not have to worry about whether we will be drawn or not it brings alot of revenue into your small communities.</p>

1983	As a non-resident I've only hunted archery in S.D. one time and couldn't offer much of an opinion. I don't know enough about DNR's management practices and potential issues archery hunters may be encountering that are subjects of this survey. Thanks.
1984	Archery permits are up because of the difficulty getting a rifle permit. There still is too few deer taken in the black hills. Just look at how many that are killed on the roads that could have been hunted. Its ridiculous for a resident to not be able to get a deer permit.
1985	Increase non resident tag price and install more access permits for large pieces of public.
1986	As a nonresident unfortunately I see less availability to out of staters. I have hunted SD since the 1990s and now have my son hunting there as well. Most of residents are very friendly but there are a few residents that no longer welcome nonresidents. We do not want to take anything away from residents just ask to keep nonresident tags the same proportion as previously unless you no longer want our money\Thank you
1987	I appreciate that you're seeking input. On social media, I have seen discussion of resident vs non resident success rates that ultimately seemed to be intended to persuade people or GFP to reduce non resident opportunity because they have higher success rates. For me, comparisons of resident and non resident tag numbers and success rates must be done with caution. As a resident, I buy archery tags knowing I may only get out one day a year, but the tag is relatively inexpensive and I want to have the opportunity to hunt. If I were to pay the additional money to purchase a non resident tag, I would make additional effort to hunt and harvest an animal. In my opinion, my archery hunting license biases the resident archery hunters numbers (increase) and success rates (decrease) given my typical low level of effort
1988	Shorter season length, maybe go to unit specific draws to manage more for trophy deer
1989	Remove the \$10.00 fee to apply. I would rather pay \$5 more for each license. I didn't receive a license this year but applied. Payed for the application. I would rather pay for a hunting trip out of state. If I apply and don't get a license I shouldn't be charged for anything.
1990	Make electronic Bow sights and ranging sights leagl in the state. Makes it easier to make good ethical shots on game animals. When you know the exact distance you are shooting and the time of the shot.
1991	I hunt west river archery and rifle when I draw a tag. In the last 3 years that I have rifle hunted west river there was more people hunting public land than anything else and apparently there are no rules in driving on public land west river. I also hunted the same counties archery hunting and there were very few people hunting public. So I believe that the issue is with rifle tags not archery.
1992	Up the price on out of state license
1993	I don't archery hunt anymore cause the pressure on public land out west is ridiculous. East river it's harder to archery hunt cause farmers keep tearing out shelter belts and not replacing them. One thing I really hate is a rifle hunter is restricted to 2 any deer tags. But if you're archery and rifle hunter you can obtain up to 4 any deer tags. Make it so everyone can only have 2 any deer tags. Make the people select if they want to archery hunt or rifle but not both. This would increase draw success for everyone and be fair to everyone. If a archery hunter is guaranteed a tag or 2 every year why can't a rifle hunter?
1994	I would like to see the archery area north of Sand Lake tower area because of so much hunting pressure could maybe go to a limited draw basis like the rifle seasons elsewhere on the refuge. I have counted 13 hunters in there at one time. I have witnessed some long, probably too long of a bow shot just because someone was trying to hit the deer first.
1995	What is the goal of / for the state? To make money or control the deer population? This survey is unclear of any such goals. Tell us what the goal for the state and there may be a different result in your survey. Licensing in the state is already confusing enough with all the multiple options. Use the KISS principal and quit trying to come up with some stupid license for every single person.
1996	The problem with allowing unlimited non-resident licenses is that it pushes resident like license holders onto public land. Typical SD Hunter cannot compete with the buying power of out-of-state hunters. Private landowners have little incentive to allow old-fashioned courtesy hunting when leasing to an unlimited supply of potential hunters is possible.

1997	I wish the season would start in October again.
1998	Deer numbers have been low for the past 10+ years in Fall River. Archery hunts need to be turned into a draw with preference points
1999	I personally do not hunt Archery. My husband does.
2000	In my years of archery deer hunting I have noticed the increase in archery hunters as statistics have shown. I have also noticed many more east river hunters hunting west river for archery. Some reasons I believe is because of the large amount of public land that is available out west. I have no probably with people that™s are hunting the public land and it a wonderful thing to have so much public and easily accessible land out west. My main concern is that with east river hunters are coming out west and hunting and then going back home and hunting there as well. Living in west river this is the only area I hunt. If you look at the public land map of east river the public land is very limited, so it is not as easy for a west river resident to go hunt on the east side as it is for an east river resident to hunt out west. If there was a way that the state could manage the hunting area (east/west) and restrict it to only one archery tag available and people would have to choose which area they would like to hunt. Another alternative is to divide the state into regions and have a limited draw. This way the state would be able to have an idea of how many deer are being harvested in each region and would be a very useful statistic for properly managing the deer population. Another alternative would be making archery a limited draw and make the application the same as rifle deer and people would have to choose it as one of their top 2 options along with rifle deer (ex. West river, east river, black hills, muzzleloader and archery deer). Hunters would now have to prioritize which season they would prefer to hunt. I feel like with this decision it would limit the amount of applications for each of those seasons and distribute tags in an equal fashion.
2001	Resident tags should stay same , with no restrictionsâ€¦\Non resident should be charged more but not have a limitâ€¦
2002	Out of state lic must come to an end. I also say this for Black Hills rifle season also. Nothing makes me more mad than an out of stater getting a lic and not me. Example I have got 2 preference points for hills for whitetail tag denied but out of state lic given to people. Take care of your own first!!!!!! If it™s a \$\$\$\$ thing raise the price of a tag!!!! Same goes for fishing to. Our waters are being ransacked by out of staters. Take care of your residents.
2003	Stop allowing antlerless mule deer harvest across all seasons and reduce the number of any deer tags for nonresidents.
2004	The reason that there is such an increase is do to all the other big hunts that it is to hard to draw a license!
2005	Unlimited whitetail tags and restrict the amount of any deer archery
2006	I understand that residents don't like nonresidents, its like that in every state. SDGFP has already been generous to the residents by restricting us Nonresidents to an opening day of 10/01 giving them a month to themselves. What more do they want?
2007	Mountain lions are harvesting more deer than archery hunters in the Black Hills annually. \Increase lion tags, don™t reduce archery nonresident opportunities.
2008	Giving Resident hunters earlier opportunities, such as two weeks of resident hunting before the Non-residents get a shot. I suggest that a "Primitive Weapons" season which would take place at the same time as "Muzzle Loader" hunts, late in the year, targeting antlerless deer, which would be limited to "Traditional Bowhunters." It seems as if we get the short end of the stick, as everything with a string on it is now considered a "bow." Recurves and Longbows only during a "Primitive Weapons" that would be held during muzzleloader season. I don't care if you limit it to wood arrows only. Most of us can't afford or have access to "Private Land" we should at least have a couple of weeks to hunt before we get run over by out-of-state hunters.

2009	I hunt archery west river for mule deer and antelope, as well as whitetail and mule deer in the Black Hills. Over the years I have had many encounters with Non Residents on Public land in Butte, Harding, and Perkins counties. Go on any Hunting forum online and you will see countless NR hunters pointing others to the Infamous NW corner of the state. We need to regulate NR archery licenses for WR counties. Its not fair that NR hunters get the same freedoms we do. I strongly believe GFP needs to leave things the way they are for resident hunters, and have limited quota archery tags for NR hunters by county. Especially in the NW corner of the state. Did you guys even think through the timing of archery opener for NR???? Its always right around Antelope Rifle season! I think its Ridiculous to have to wait 2-3 years on an Antelope tag only to go and have 4-5 NR archery hunters wandering around at almost every access point! Thank you for all you do. I appreciate being able to hunt in this great state! WE need to make some changes.
2010	Feels like another attack on nonresident hunters. Non residents are still by far the minority. I've hunted as a non resident since 2015. Pressure is always heavy opening weekend/ week and then during rifle season. I typically spend 20-30 days a year in South Dakota hunting, I've never had any issues with hunter pressure other than opening weekends. This was mitigated last year when the state of SD pushed nonresident opener to Oct. 1. Including on Federally owned lands (which I feel is wrong). The more I talk with locals and the more time I spend out there, it sure seems that that is a large community of hunters out of the Sioux Falls/Yankton area that has the biggest issues with nonresident hunters west river. Again I have never had any issues, and I've hunted a premier mule deer units. Plenty of opportunity out there, you just might not get to your favorite spot first and can't be afraid to hike more than 1/2 mile from your truck. Thanks, \xxxx
2011	I think they need to plant more trees in the public land access areas to help habitat and cover for the deer
2012	I have hunted private land in the west river zone . The property owners would like to see more deer taken off there land but have had issues with there guest not beening able to receive tags , this is more of a riffle statement ! I also bow hunt in MN and believe that the success rate with bow is way lower and that there is no danger to over harvesting of your resources ! Thanks XXXX
2013	State residents should get first priority. It's not all about the money.
2014	I think South Dakota does a awesome job on the management of thier deer population and maintaining a good fun and successful hunt for all nonresident and resident hunters. Thank you South Dakota I hope things don't change much but if they do I'm sure they will be done with great success for both residents and nonresident
2015	I beleave to resolve this issue of fighting between bow and gun hunters all resident deer hunters should get 2 or 3 any deer tags and two any antlerless tags to use during any open deer season. Limit the number of deer a hunter can fill in each unit. So like no more than two tags per unit and require check in via app or stations.
2016	There are starting to be to many hunters in all categories of Archery hunting and I think the best way to manage this would be a lottery system with limited tags and eliminate the unlimited number available
2017	Archery hunting should be encouraged much more across the state. I personally would settle for less rifle tags if it meant more engagement from archery hunters.
2018	I believe the archery season starts to early. Some of the good bucks dnt get a chance to breed to keep genetics good in the herd.
2019	I would recommend announcement acessible public lands for disabled hunters by ATV on a specific path in public lands - so the disabled person could shoot from ATV with crossbow, and easily drag deer out of public lands. This would also provide a short walk from ATV to hunting spot for archery hunting. People with disabilities, are very limited on safe access into public lands. thanks XXXX
2020	Put a limit on the amount of both resident and non resident hunters. Require a quota and limited draw.
2021	It would be nice to hunt sept 1st on public ground like the residents. Better opportunities
2022	The current system is solid, but I do wish there was an option to have two west river archery tags for west residents and two east for east river resident or atleast a way to exchange tags with someone on the opposite side of the state. I'd love to be able to have two archery deer tags for west river and I friends that would love two east river ones. If you can have two archery tags anyways, why can't they be the same side of the state?

2023	Also need a focus on ensuring stands are removed from public access areas. I have seen more and more people "staking claim" to areas.
2024	would like to see less requirements for crossbow use during archery seasons. im not disabled but limited to walking , but would like to see the use of crossbows without any medical stipulations
2025	Having nonresident hunters start a month later is very nice. The only problem is it coincides with nonresident archery antelope and this can be overcrowded in some parts of the state. I would like to see nonresidents have a limited quota in counties like the firearms season. When SD residents go to different states to archery hunt we typically have a tag for a specific area or region and I would like to see that for nonresidents in SD.
2026	Leave it alone it's hard enough to even draw a regular rifle license let us at least have the archery
2027	Tag allocation should not be based on public opinion. Tag allocation should be based on deer numbers. Taking a hunter's opinion is not the right way to approach this. In the end, we are all here for conservation. I feel there is too much focus on people pleasing.
2028	Incentive program to get landowners to allow archery hunters to access private lands in areas with more abundant deer populations. Add optional fee to application to enter for a chance to draw private access add on.
2029	How would it be fair to limit resident licenses, and allow nonresidents to hunt. I have lived and hunted in SD since 1971. Have been hunting here for 51 years and now I am retired and have time to hunt, but I have to get in a lottery to rifle hunt. Got my first rifle tag in 10 years. I was told there are only 100 tags for any deer available for non-landowners in the Black Hills, is that correct? Why all the Mule deer questions on survey? Thank you.
2030	I feel we should keep it the way that it is now, one statewide any deer or east and/or west any deer license for residents but feel we should limit the amount of nonresident archery tags. As a public land hunter, I run into quite a few non resident hunters which makes the hunting experience less enjoyable.
2031	Have a East River and West River drawer and Black Hills just like rifle season, \Open up a season for crossbow only Limited amount of tags.
2032	Allow non residents to hunt walk-in areas the same time as residents. I hunt both antelope and mule deer in your state paying plenty for tags I don't see any reason why I can legally hunt a goat on walk-ins and cannot hunt that same piece the same time of year for mule deer. I usually hunt a solid 10 days there and I have never once seen another mule deer hunter on public ground. I get residents complaining about the over flow of people on Custer and such areas but I personally see no other hunters on walkin areas in September while I'm hunting.
2033	Barely any deer
2034	Tags have become way too expensive to even justify a hunt this year. Passed on a chance for a good deer, because the doubled cost
2035	No comment
2036	Allow non resident archery hunters to hunt opening day of archery season just like residents.
2037	Limit Nonresident archery tags to draw only. It is absurd that any non residents can hunt here when their state will not allow SD residents to get OTC tags for their state.
2038	It is hard to find worth while public land that does not have a hunter on it. Either the state needs to work on tag limits or regional draws of some kind, or more public land that contains good deer habitat (not cattle ridden, junk land from ranchers) needs to be funded.
2039	I haven't been able to draw a license (nonresident) in the last 3 attempts. I have nothing to base an opinion on & feel it would be wrong for me to do so.
2040	The Hill Ranch Area has far too many nonresidents hunting it, most of these individuals have little to no hunting etiquette at all. South Dakota Game Fish & Parks seemingly is an advocate for so many of these nonresident slob hunters. I truly love the outdoors & wildlife and have the utmost respect for like minded people. But far too many of the people that the SD GF&P now cater to do not possess these qualities.

2041	I live in Oklahoma and I can tell you this is a catch 22 situation and you will never satisfy everyone. You either give out the tags as usual and the public land becomes crowded and the deer quality suffers, or you limit the tags via a specific unit draw and they become almost impossible to get. Either way public land is and will forever be a frustrating option for hunters. There are just too many hunters these days. I personally favor a draw system for public lands. Going to an over hunted/crowded tract of land to see does and yearlings is not my idea of a quality hunt and not worth the trip. Good luck.
2042	Sand Lake NWR, Brown Co., has too many archery hunters....a stand in every tree.
2043	There are plenty of deer out there but I would like to see a more limited harvest for non-resident versus resident. I like the unlimited draw for one resident tag for archery. Archery is more challenging than firearms and hunters are less likely to harvest a deer with a bow.
2044	Archery is fine. Leave it alone instead of ruining the hunt for tax paying residents. Give us more gun licenses. It is sad when south dakota residents can't even get an any deer or antlerless gun tag any more. Pathetic given the amount of deer getting hit on the road every day.
2045	I believe increase in archery hunting is 2 main reasons. One you opened it up sept 1. This gave a 4-6 opening the the hunters that didn't have much to do that month 2) your current rifle draw system allows less tags and less opportunities to hunt deer UNLESS you pick up archery where is a automatic draw. Need to redo rifle to draw 1 tag your done until 3 draw. No one needs the hunt 3 season and get all those tags on draw one while others can't draw a tag.
2046	Please fix this horrendous excuse of a website!!! Previous GFP sight was very easy to use and user friendly, unlike this new one. Having spoken to nearly a dozen people about this format change, NOT ONE, has had anything favorable to say about it...
2047	The amount of out of state hunters west river is ridiculous, either charge more for a tag or make it harder to get or both. Make it a destination state with animal quality and population, and make it known it's not some cheap over the counter tag! Last thing I want is this state to become is a Minnesota where anything with antlers get shot because the quality deer age class gets wiped like it has been.
2048	I hope the licenses stay the same price and availability for us non residents. I'd like to be able to afford tags and be able to hunt our lease every year without breaking the bank or having to draw for a archery tag.
2049	One area that needs to begin using an access permit to allow hunters access is the Big Sioux Recreation Area. New housing construction along the north and west of the Rec Area have increased the human presence in the area and reduced the areas where deer can be found inside the Rec Area boundaries. Due to its accessibility to high population areas like Sioux Falls and Brandon the number of archery hunters who use the Rec Area is beyond the number of deer that can be found. 10-20 permits per year would be a good number to start with in my opinion.
2050	Why change resident tag options? I am from east river and like going west river hunting. I hunt all public land during archery season west river and see another hunter 5% of the time. If you have issues with tags, regulate the non resident more as we are the cheapest non resident tag there is and anyone out of state is guaranteed a tag. Taking away either buying statewide or west and /or east river would make zero sense as most people who buy west river archery tags are probably from the east side of the state and bring tons of business to local communities.
2051	Charge more to non residents to get tags to hunt SD. Getting a deer with a bow is already hard enough so if you put a drawing on the tags it's going to make more of the residents mad.
2052	Public land access east river is becoming over run with archery hunters making it difficult to enjoy the season. Fully agree that everyone should enjoy the public lands but as an avid archery hunter it is discouraging putting in the time scouting and in the tree for someone who's barely shot their bow to try stalk deer in a beans field or wander aimlessly scaring all the deer away.

2053	Instead of messing with the license, why don't you do something about the commercialization of the sport. All these so called sport lodges making profit off our wild resources. they are jamming up all the private lands by paying leasing fees and also hunting on our public lands its not only the deer its our fisheries our pheasant population. Farmers and ranchers land locking public lands by close accesses to keep people away and it becomes private ground for them. You got bigger problems to figure out instead of messing with our archery season Archery success of bagging a deer is less than 40% so the season is not the problem.
2054	I feel like a archery tag should be guaranteed east and west River for residents. Itâ€™s not like itâ€™s easy to harvest something with a bow. Non residents should be put in a limited draw and charged more.
2055	I hunt in the NE corner of the state and hardly any of the hunters on the public land are residents. All are coming over Minnesota due to better hunting and an affordable tag. I think the non resident tags should go to a draw and they apply to the unit they want, not state wide. This would help from good units being over hunted by nonresidents.
2056	I hunt both east and west river on public land, although some areas have quite a few hunters it seems like there is plenty of game and enough public land to support everyone. I do not feel like we need to start limiting the number of archery tags... at least not yet anyway.
2057	In the past few years Iâ€™ve almost seen more hunters than deer in areas. Been hunting South Dakota for 15 years and have never been so disappointed in the hunting and deer quality as of late with so many hunters.
2058	Incorporate a non resident lottery draw for archery deer permits.
2059	Once a hunter turns 65 + they should be able to get ER, WR, or state wide, no matter what happens in the future. Also 65+ yrs old should get a Rifle tag with out drawing, are time is limited on hunting or on earth!
2060	Archery hunting in South Dakota, allows more hunters the ability to hunt for deer in South Dakota. Archery hunting takes more discipline and patience, but it allows people who live in harder areas to draw rifle tags, a chance to hunt regularly and keep them hunting. It has also become increasingly hard to hunt deer in South Dakota as a non-resident. Although I believe residents should have more opportunities than non residents. Many residents have the ability to get 4 or 5 tags, before non residents even have a chance to apply. Archery tags allow some of those non-residents a chance to hunt in South Dakota. Non-Residents bring money into the state and should not be turned away. While some residents are getting, East and West River any deer tags, a muzzle loader tag, multiple Archery tags, and extra tags, before a non resident hunter even has a chance to apply
2061	Increase the out of state tag cost
2062	Keep the archery the way it is. Restrict the rifle licenses if anything. There are way more hunters in every unit causing it to be less safe. Please restricted and regulate the Native American poaching on private land and over harvesting on tribal ground. In Charles mix the tribe kills far more than could ever be eaten and leave them dead in fields or cut the heads off and burn the carcasses. Some form of regulation would be nice to see.
2063	â€”Cut down on the numbers of non resident tags going out each year. \â€”Non residents should have to apply for preference points for both east and west river tags. \â€”Cut the non residents state wide tags.
2064	Restrict the number of non resident tags so that residents have the opportunity to fill a tag on either public or private land. I have personally experienced non resident hunters that have ruined a hunt on both private and public lands.
2065	Everyone wants to shoot a velvet buck or a mule deer. Resident whitetail hunters should be left alone.archery is all I have.
2066	N/A
2067	why do you trade land to farmer and ranchers to land lock public land ?
2068	In my experience with Public lands I come across both resident and non resident hunters. None of which have hindered my hunting abilityâ€™s. I believe a majority of archery hunters are looking for the opportunity to attain a tag every year for both white tails and mule deer. Opening up accessibility to more public land would allow for hunters to spread out and find individual success for archery seasons. CONTINUE PROGRAMS SUCH AS THE WALK IN PROGRAM THROUGHOUT SOUTH DAKOTA.

2069	I believe it's time to open crossbow hunting for hunters over the age of 60.
2070	I think archery season has worked well and no changes are needed
2071	Increase out-of-state archery prices or make it less enticing for hunters. Opening archery season is ruined by all out of states flocking to the state. Possibly have out-of-state season start later to give residents a better chance.
2072	Let us non residents start hunting September 1st on public land in SD, we pay lots of \$ and bring good things to local economies, October is when it gets too windy to have a quality bowhunt.
2073	It appears SD has a problem with public land mule deer & the number of hunters. Focus on this problem. Don't paint with a wide brush and impact hunters like myself, NR private land hunter east river.
2074	ther is no lo9gical reason for nonresident archery hunters to have to purchase a public land license especially NWF refuge areas by April 1. It is a hardship for schedule time off
2075	Make it easier for private land owners and hunters to work together to control the deer population. All land in South Dakota should be open to resident public hunting unless posted otherwise by the land owner, similar to our waters.\Make it easier for senior/disabled hunters to access public land.
2076	Put a limited draw on archery even if it is 5000 tags for all 4 tag options. \\I am also a proponent of a limited draw crossbow season for everyone to partake in.
2077	The main suggestion I would have is cap non resident public land tags. I donâ€™t believe the pressure on private warranties taking those opportunities away. If non residents are limited they should be able to start sept first with residents.
2078	Reverse the access permit draw process. Currently we need to BUY the license, then hope to get an access permit. Have the access permit drawing first, if successful, we will then need to buy the license. Our group currently has no desire to fight the hoards of hunters on the public land outside the access permit areas. We are left with an expensive license we'd rather not have, but are required to purchase it in order to enter the access permit draw.\Thank you.
2079	As a nonresident archer, I am extremely appreciative of the opportunity to hunt whitetails in your state. please keep it "easy" to obtain a license. My hunting partner and I are very selective about what we harvest. We hunt almost exclusively the early season. I just returned and did not fill my tag again this year.\If the harvest is exceeding levels that you desire, I would suggest that you take a long, hard look at the number of crossbows that are currenting being used and perhaps place more restrictions there. These newer weapons are like single shot rifles. \\Thank you for the opportunity to express my opinions.\XXXX
2080	Covid brought new hunters into the industry. Our populations are still thriving, east and west river, and changes do not need to be made. South Dakota is more sought after for its non resident west river mule deer hunts. I think there are quite a few individuals who participate in those hunts more. It's the last ditch effort for a "Western" hunt for quality mule deer. I ,myself, enjoy seeing others come to our great state for a chance at what we have, but I think zero changes should be made to the system. Too many changes have been made in the last ten years. Keep it the way it is.
2081	I personally do not think that a resident should have to draw for any deer or antelope for the unit they are putting in for that unit. We, as a resident should have the fist privilege of an automatic tag for archery. The non residents should have the leftover tags and they should have to draw. And I think the season is too long for archery. Come December, some of the bucks are starting to drop their horns, so by Jan, there are some bucks that are being taken as does because they have dropped their horns already.
2082	I love Hunting South Dakota and I think the state does a great job managing everything. I think people need to take more does as we see a lot. Maybe allow more doe tags or drop the price to where people would buy more and take more does. All and all I think it is a great state to hunt.
2083	Anybody above 60 years old can use a crossbow to take an archery deer.
2084	I should still be able to buy licenses/tags in person. what about people that don't have internet access? how are they supposed to apply?
2085	Return non resident public license purchase dates to previous system and otc

2086	Im a non-resident rifle hunter and it's very tough to get a deer tag in the area I would like to hunt in SD
2087	This is not nearly as hard as you guys always seem to want to make it. STOP NON RESIDENTS FROM BEING ISSUED TAGS. problem solved!
2088	I think one of the major problems that all people who love Deer Hunting face in the west. I have watched the deer numbers fluctuate greatly over the years that the Mule Deer have a harder time recovering. I hosted TV shows on the Outdoor Channel for 15 years of my life and have it all over. Regardless of whether I was hunting one of the reservations private land or public land in South Dakota. It truly is and was in my opinion the greatest year state for both Mule Deer and Whitetails. But I've seen properties that had hundreds of deer two years later it would be hard to see five in a given day. Blue tongue might be the largest threat to the Whitehall herd but they seem to recover fast. The Mule Deer in lots of areas never even really recovered. The other thing that I really feel is important is at the state not be regulated by hunters or peoples opinion but rather biology by people who are trained and truly doing the studies. Those same people I pray, believe in Hunting when they're making their decisions for the future of South Dakota remarkable,amazing,beauty and diverse wildlife. XXXX
2089	SDGFP is doing a great job managing the SD deer herd and balancing opportunities for both resident and non-resident deer hunters
2090	Our hunting in general has become too commercialized. It started with pheasants which are not even native. I hear outfitters complaining about wild turkeys and how they hurt pheasant numbers. I found two deer that were most likely shot by nonresident hunters last year that were not recovered. I know this from hearing the guide talking in a bar about his hunters being bad shots. It's bad enough to not be able to hunt pheasants as a resident. It's just a matter of time until archery deer is next.
2091	I would limit the number of deer that can be taken by one person in a single season to 2 and then manage how many tags are given out in each county.
2092	Nothing worse than having all these out of state hunters come in and wreck your hunting experience
2093	Reduce the number of out of state tags. And have them draw for there tags. Leave the resident system alone. The draw system is why I quit rifle hunting. And a lot of land owners won't let you in if your hunting with rifle.
2094	Ex-resident who moved a mile into Minnesota. I still purchase a non resident archery license. If the purchasing process changes I will stop buying. Thank you for your time! \XXXXX
2095	Please keep an open mind on non resident hunters.
2096	Need to limit the number of non resident hunter. It's ridiculous out west.
2097	Keep the current season/limits for resident archery tags as is. Nonresidents tags need to be throttled back. As a handicapped (disabled veteran) hunter I am pleased that I am still able to draw an archery tag every year and able to hunt the early fall. Please do not limit crossbows to a special/separate archery season. Its great to have the option to pick and choose to hunt when the weather is less aggressive.
2098	The state and tribe are selling licenses where I live. There are too many hunters.
2099	I love hunting South Dakota, always awesome!
2100	I hunt around the line of Ziebach and Corson county as a nonresident. In general, between archery and rifle season we don't see many other hunters at all.
2101	I would recommend looking into Montana block management system. Type1 and type 2. I know you already have a system similar to this but the South Dakota walk-in hunting areas on private land are a mess and that's why we decided not to hunt SD this yr. Random cattle dogs chasing game, hunters not respecting if a vehicle is parked at gate and hunting the area is occupied. Maybe more incentive to landowners to except hunters and sign up for state kick back, \$2 for every hunter signed in. Beautiful areas to archery hunt lots of opportunities there just needs to be a few changes and I will start hunting SD again. Thank you for doing this.
2102	Make archery season longer without rifle over lapping it. Rifle hunters are very rude to archery hunters.

2103	I have been archery hunting South Dakota for the past 8 years on private land 100% of the time. The unit I hunt does not have many mule deer in it so I don't have an opinion or suggestions for that. For the last 3 of the 8 years I have been a nonresident land owner. I would agree that the archery popularity has gone thru the roof. Not only in South Dakota but all the states in my opinion. Having a limited amount of tags for public land is a good idea to me. To many hunters on public ground is not good for hunters or wildlife. Archery hunters that hunt private property should not be limited to the amount of tags due to land owners control on the amount of hunters they allow. In conclusion, I agree that there should be a limited tag number on public land archery tags but not limiting tags for private land hunters and land owners that can and do control hunting pressure and harvest. Thanks for your time
2104	Require hunters whether bow or rifle to wear the orange. I'm a rifle hunter and I find it reckless of the state to let bow deer hunters to be out during rifle season and not wear the orange. I have witnessed and been startled by a bow hunter who emerged from cover when I'm hunting with a rifle.
2105	First year archery hunter in 2022, so I haven't formulated many opinions on these topics.
2106	i think the increase of archery hunter is due to the fewer rifle tags. Guys know they will get an archery tag so they have switched to it. also for me, waterfowl hunting is overran with people these days. so for me to get a field for duck or geese it requires 4 days of scouting just to get turned down from the land owner. This is sole reason I took up archery hunting.
2107	to many whitetail does and inferior bucks. \\\need to be able to harvest more does and define a inferior buck and let the hunter harvest the animal without them using the only buck tag they have. this will make for a healthier heard, stronger heard and bring more value to the state and hunting revenues.
2108	Too much preference is given to the archery hunter. As you stated in your survey, they have unlimited tags and a longer season. The argument of it is harder to kill an animal with a bow is a myth, being unsuccessful happens no matter what the method of take may be.
2109	I believe hunting opportunities should be available to anyone. I think you should have to make a choice between an archery tag or a rifle tag but not both. Everyone gets a tag everyone is happy
2110	As a non resident I'd like to see public lands opened up to us on the season opener instead of Oct 1st. Or maybe do a draw for. On residents that get an early start? Otherwise I'm very happy with South Dakota's structure for hunting.
2111	I didn't choose anything on this due to the fact I don't hunt enough to know how the hunting numbers are in areas. I'm fortunate enough to have some private land to hunt. I've only heard how hard it is to get a rifle tag around the Sioux Falls area so I've focused on archery. I feel more people have gone that route as well. I guess the other big numbers that would need to be looked into is the harvest numbers of all the tags purchased.
2112	With the increase in technological advances archery has become the go to it all for your chance at large trophy animals. Remove all archery except traditional. I am tired of the majority of animals killed or wounded because I don't have time to chase them with sticks.
2113	Issue all land owners in SD a number that a hunter must have before applying for any/all deer tag(archery, rifle, muzzle loader). This may help you understand why there is a dislike of GFP
2114	I don't know exactly what needs to be done, but there is simply too many hunters for the amount of resources we have in our great state. It has changed so much just in the last 10 years. Our public lands are overused, abused and we lose acres of it every year. Please consider what the in state hunters have to say more than the out of staters and the pay to hunt operations that are ruining our resources as well. Thanks.

2115	I feel the way this survey is designed its going to be negative towards non-resident archery hunters. I have no opinion on the public land because I don't hunt it as a non-resident. However, My family owns land in Western South Dakota that I archery hunt whitetails on and nobody has access to this land except family. If I was no longer able to purchase an over the counter any deer archery license I would be very angry. There is an over abundance of whitetails and archery success as a whole is low compared to rifles. Archery hunting nation wide has gained popularity in this 10 year time period. I don't think it's indicative to only South Dakota increasing due to license availability. No matter what decision is made, I hope South Dakota will allow private land over the counter archery no matter what.
2116	I hunt as a nonresident for approximately 1 week per year. It is an annual get together for several friends. We spend money for motels, restaurants, gas, etc. I've been hunting the same area for more than 10 yrs. I know there's pressure to eliminate nonresidents from public land but i know who benefits the area more financially. And residents have a better chance to access private land than nonresidents.
2117	We need to control the number of non-resident archery hunters through increased tag fees and number of tags \ Itâ€™s imperative that we consider resident hunters first, they live here, work here and support this state year around and deserve to be accounted for first \ Thank you
2118	I am out most days of the year spending time watching deer, shed hunting, and hunting. In my opinion, the nonresident tags need to be a limited draw and the price increased. Also they should not be â€œany deerâ€• tags. The mule deer are easy to kill and are taking a beating. In the 3 counties I hunt in, they are basically extinct. I know there are other factors to the decimation of the mule deer but the wanton killing of does and little bucks hasnâ€™t helped the bigger problem. The quantity and quality of deer on the public lands has gone downhill so much in the last 3 years that itâ€™s scary. Also the public lands I frequent(near the platte, Gregory, Iona areas) havenâ€™t been managed well the last couple yearsâ€™.I.E. way overgrazed, cows destroying food plots, nothing planted in the food plots, slobs dumping garbage. I canâ€™t imagine it to be a money issue but who knows. I would jump at the chance to help out during the spring/summer, I just donâ€™t know who to contact.
2119	The allocation of the same number of non resident deer licenses for private lands & public lands is not based on data. There is far more private land and land owners should have the opportunity to offer non resident hunting opportunities for profit. The amount of commerce generated by non resident hunters is sizeable and has been documented in many states. The licensing system in SD is FAR too complicated and penalizes land owner/outfitters abilities to book hunters with the multiple complicated draws and late deadlines.
2120	Need to have a max number of non resident tags and must be per county. Residents to stay at state wide tag and/or east/west tag \Residents of the state need to have advanced over non residents in all Big Game animals. \\The non residents tags are getting out of hand. Tv and YouTube shows are taking advantage of this and will become much larger if something isnâ€™t done soon.
2121	I think a better job could be done managing the mule deer population. Ten to 15 years ago the numbers of mule deer were probably 3-5x what we see now. There were places that had 200 deer in a field and now have 0. I think letting nonresidents and even residents over the counter access to Harvest mule deer is a little absurd. There should probably be a limit of one mule deer per year for every hunter. Not one east and one west mule deer. Would be smart to limit non-resident OTC access to mule deer. Let them shoot whitetails. But dwindling mule deer numbers and unlimited access to every county by non-residents is not logical. As bowhunting popularity increases and more and more people are wanting to chase mule deer and YouTube is helping them discover South Dakota, I foresee mule deer numbers decreasing even more over the next 10 years. Goal should be to improve the struggling herds, not continue to let them be depleted
2122	Cut non resident tags! Take care of the residents.
2123	Maybe the reason more people are archery hunting is because its become increasingly harder to draw firearms tags. I personally live in a county where I would be lucky to draw a firearms tag once every five years. Please don't reduce the number of archery tags, and please dont take away or reduce my rights to hunt archery deer.

2124	I wish my opinion mattered, but, I feel you have already made decisions without the opinions of the people you have reached out to. I ONLY hunt archery. I'm not sure what is so hard to understand as to how hard it is to harvest a deer with a bow. We need MORE tags, not LESS. But once again, my opinion will fall on deaf ears.
2125	The public lands west river seem to be the most crowded. Having units for west river isn't a bad idea, but I am curious how it would work for someone as myself who hunts places like Harding in September, but then also hunts the black hills later in the year. I don't think units for east river would be necessary as it's mostly private land hunters it seems. I guess I'm not sure if these units would only apply to public land somehow.
2126	The solution is simple. Manage deer tags, and season dates, not weapons. Issue a deer tag for a specific unit, and let the hunters choose whether they want to fill that tag with a bow during archery seasons, or hold onto it and fill it with a rifle during rifle seasons, or hold onto it further yet and fill it during a muzzleloader season. So simple. Biologically, GFP could regulate tag numbers and unit sizes, and tags would have a higher chance of being filled because hunters could hunt multiple seasons if they did not fill their tag. All complaints about archery vs rifle vs draw 1 vs draw 4 would go away. GFP issues tags to harvest specific numbers of deer in specific areas, and the hunters go harvest the deer. So simple. Leave it to GFP to ignore logic and continue to complicate a process that could be so elementary.
2127	In my opinion, South Dakota should raise prices and limit out of state hunting on public land in western South Dakota, where it gets crowded and over harvested.
2128	Resident archery hunters need to be the top priority for the state. If any tags are going to get cut it should be the non-resident tags as these non-residents have opportunities in their own states. It is not South Dakota's job to cater to the non-resident regardless of the increased income due to non-resident tag pricing. I understand that outfitters in South Dakota rely on out of state hunters to make their businesses run but that is not a concern of the SDGFP. Making tags harder to acquire for residents should not even be an option (access permits in more areas as mentioned in this survey). Non-residents flock to our state because the tag is guaranteed and word has gotten out hence the increase in non-resident hunters. The states rifle deer tag reduction has increased the number of archery hunters as this is the only way to stay in the woods hunting during deer season. Drawing a rifle tag every 3+ years in some counties is obviously a reasonable explanation for an increase in resident archery numbers. \\Cut the non-resident tag numbers by 80 percent or more and increase the cost of non-resident tags.
2129	Keep it simple. As a new SD resident 2 years ago it was very difficult to figure out how to hunt deer by firearm so I became an archery hunter. I don't want to go through the process firearm hunters go through.
2130	August 1st would be good for tree stands on public so deer can get used to them
2131	I appreciate that people are hunting archery more and more. Making way better hunters out of the general public and as a landowner I give more permission to archery hunters because I am an archery hunter myself and know how difficult it is here in western South Dakota to harvest an animal with string and stick. As far as private land goes the current system is working here. As far as whitetail vs mule deer hunters. I would like to see more whitetail harvested because our population of whitetail is higher here and people harvest way too many immature mule deer bucks with bow and rifle. People just don't know the difference between a mature mule deer and a young mule deer with good potential. So split in tags given between any deer and any Whitetail deer would be a idea. Would also like to see landowner preference for archery. Thanks again
2132	I think the number of archery tags that are issued should be determined by managers who know if deer numbers are above, below or near population objectives in units or regions of the state. If all archery licenses were limited draw, hunter numbers would then be managed similar to rifle deer hunter numbers. In some cases, where heavily used public lands draw high archery hunters, as well as mentor and youth deer hunters the access permit gives managers a chance to control extremely high harvests and poor hunter satisfaction issues on these isolated public lands. Additional public lands are needed in these areas.
2133	I love to archery deer hunt. SD is huge and there is plenty of land for archery hunters!

2134	Residents in western states continue to blame non-residents on the increase in hunting pressure even though residents are equally or more to blame. But when changes are made, non-resident seem to be hardest hit with being restricted. Two recommendations - 1) allow archery hunters to purchase a doe tag in areas that have high doe to buck ratios. 2) the access permit process this year was a nightmare. The application process did not allow us to select just one of the four areas. We wanted to select 27L, Hill Ranch GPA. But after the application, it seemed liked we were entered into all four areas. It wasn't very clear and left us very frustrated.
2135	I have hunted mainly the Custer area black hills and have never seen another whitetail or mule deer archer. Run into mostly cow elk hunters.
2136	You guys tend to favor non residents and landowners. It sucks the regular guy is just losing opportunities every year. Until you actually cater to a regular resident you won't succeed in your priorities, you fail because you cater to the wrong crowd.
2137	Keep up the good work
2138	Personally I do not like that you need to apply for an archery deer tag by April for public land! I liked it better when non residents could purchase an any deer state wide tag at any time. Made it much easier to do a hunt In your state.
2139	Make it easier for residents to get tags, I will be spending my money out of state this year.
2140	Make it easier to get additional antlerless archery licenses for residents. Many of the landowners want the number of deer reduced on their land and if obtaining an antlerless deer license during bow season where easier and less expensive the heard could be managed better. I believe the success of the herd management would be better during bow season if you could harvest them without using your any tag.
2141	I feel the current number of archery tag's is about right but I just hunt private lands.
2142	Quality public hunting areas for archery are very limited... Most being over hunted.. Private land is getting nearly impossible to find.. Im still able to find some private.. but I fear the next generation will be nearly impossible, unless you want to pay to hunt. Many hunters are feeling as the non-resident hunters not only make a bad name for all hunters.. but they also get preferently treatment from SDGFP in the name of tourism and money...
2143	Limit non resident tags for public lands continue unlimited non resident tags for private land.
2144	The out of state number should be restricted and the price should be raised. Either do away with the velvet hunt or do a ear width restriction on whitetail and a point restriction on mule deer on public land deer.
2145	I have a gross amount of whitetail does and fawns
2146	Making a change like this is unnecessary. The success rate of the small amount of nonresident archery hunters is so small that this wouldn't help the population what so ever. Take a closer look at your success rate and you'll see exactly what I'm telling you. Raising prices in the hunting industry only helps the rich and unethical hunters.. Nonresidents bring far too much revenue to SD for you to start limiting archery licenses.
2147	SDGFP does a great job. I am an out of state whitetail hunter. I am amazed at the whitetail deer population in SD. \If I were a biologist studying the whitetail deer I would study in SD. \In my home state I have hunted whitetail and not seen a deer in 5 days. In SD I have been hunting and stated to the land owner "I have not seen a deer in 5 minutes. I think I'm going to eat a sandwich." \Good job people.
2148	The success rate for archery hunting has to be pretty low. Especially for the nonresident Hunter I would think the income generated compared to the animals harvested has to be a plus for the South Dakota DNR
2149	Out of state definitely need to be limited. Need to go to a deawbfor out of state Archery!
2150	I think Crossbows should be legal for all archery hunters, and Scopes. This would reduce the number of wounded dear that are not harvested
2151	no comment
2152	I would like to see the population counts on deer in the black hills area looked at. Have hunted out there for several years and see very few deer overall. typically hunt in Oct and Nov. so perhaps the deer have been pushed out by elk hunters etc. Would like to be able to see population counts on a website or other reference.

2153	I feel archery deer hunting should be closed at least on public lands during firearm antelope season for safety and improve quality antelope hunting on public lands.
2154	With current limitations on non-residents to apply early for an opportunity to hunt public land is reasonable. With low success rates a decrease in the number of available licenses will ultimately have an adverse affect on the cost of licenses for residents or a decrease in funding for the department. As much as hunters don't like non-residents, my observations have been that like me, many of the non-residents have been hunting South Dakota for years or are looking for opportunities to return home to hunt with family and friends. I like the being able to have a state wide license that allows me to travel to the west and hunt with friends and also make short weekend get away to the eastern side of the state.
2155	I like the east/west/ statewide options. I feel that gives us residents a great opportunity to hunt at one and also the chance to go chase mulies and white tails out west. Two years ago I spent my 8 years preference and finally drew my rifle tag for unit 27L I was so stoked for the opportunity and heard awesome things about that unit! My cousin and I go out there and we put on a lot of miles scouting the days prior to season. Only to find a few small mule deer bucks and a heavy amount of does. The thing we did see was out of state archery hunters. The two in particular were from Washington and Idaho I believe. We got to talking those guys quite a bit and they had been there for about 10 days and they had seen guys from Michigan and a bunch of other states from surrounding states to far away. Don't get me wrong it's a great opportunity for them but for me as a resident it was super frustrating. These folks come and chase them deer around for weeks prior to rifle opener. Don't get me wrong I do as well. But for that unit in particular is very small and tough to draw for rifle. Long story short on the second morning I took a nice healthy doe and we made the trek back 7 hours across the state knowing we just wasted 8 years of preference point for a long trip and a doe. I feel like units licenses need to have a cap for these or of state hunters or maybe need to have to draw for certain units. Possibly increase the tag fee? If you look at other states like Iowa, it's almost \$700 for me if I draw an archery tag in my sister in laws county.
2156	While I have noticed an increase in hunters over the past few years. I feel that it's more about the lack of quality archery deer hunting land than it is the number of hunters. We do have a lot of public land in South Dakota, but a significant percentage is managed for waterfowl and upland hunting. I understand that managing these areas for waterfowl and upland birds also benefits deer. However, They are difficult areas to hunt with a bow. Not only are they difficult to hunt, but we also have to compete with waterfowl and upland hunters pushing the deer off the public land. I have run into more issues with people hunting other game (squirrel, rabbit, waterfowl, upland birds) in areas that I archery hunt than I have with other archery deer hunters. I feel that larger continuous public hunting land tracts and archery only public land would be more beneficial to the game and the hunter. Archery deer is my main outdoor sport. I look forward to it year round. I purchase both east and west river tags to give myself more opportunity and extend my season if I do happen to fill a tag. If there was a year that I didn't get an archery tag because we've limited the number of tags available that would be very depressing for me.
2157	"Spot and stalk" has gained a lot of popularity with social media. Non residents pack into every chunk of public that has a mule deer population and that is their only target because they are easier to stalk and kill in a short time frame...and it's what makes good YouTube videos. The amount of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa and Michigan plates that I have seen on public during archery over the past several seasons has made it almost not worth hunting those areas. I think residents should have to draw for any archery tag, with mule deer being harder to obtain. The problem does not lie with residents as a large chunk have private to hunt but have the option to hunt public. The problem lies with modern "western" hunting and nonresidents taking advantage of how easy it is to obtain a tag and kill a deer in South Dakota.

2158	<p>The State promotes hunting and the outdoor industry does the same. Stop your part of that. So this 'problem' of too many boots and too little ground is partly self inflicted. \\Try renting more ground. I know this isn't likely I've seen several of my walk-in spots pulled out & snapped up by outfitters or group lease. \\Perhaps the state could work with estates to receive land to offset taxes; \\work with landowners (perhaps a land access/dating site platform) to help link owners with hunters. I can't stress that enough... STOP promoting people to hunt here. \\ Put the any deer tag on a drawing.\\Don't offer nonresident archery tags or hike price. \\In a State that has huge blocks of land tied up in trust, hunting outfitter leases and in the hands of relatively few people, this issue is only going to get worse not better. Our legislation inadvertently created this environment but the result is that most of us are locked out of hunting access. \\Shame. I quit gun hunting because it was a nightmare on public land (not just SD but in other States too). At least with Archery I am not scared some drunk ##### is going to shoot me, it's quiet and relaxing. I hope I'll be able to do this activity for the foreseeable future.\\Good Luck</p>
2159	<p>I hunt the river breaks near Pierre on public lands. Non-resident numbers often greatly exceed the number of residents in these areas to hunt mule deer. It has become much more prevalent in the past few years and significantly decreases hunting opportunities enjoyed and I believe significantly impacted mule deer numbers in those areas in a negative way. I favor limiting non-resident hunters to a finite number of mule deer œany deer tagsœ or creating non-resident access permits of a finite number for the river breaks region in central sd. I am in complete favor of continuing to allow non-residents to hunt private lands as currently allowed.</p>
2160	<p>The sole purpose I switch into archery hunting is because you guys screwed up the rifle lottery I went seven years without drawing a single rifle tag and eventually gave up and found a new passion with archery the main thing I love about my decision is I can hunt around my area or go hunt with my dad or uncles up north on the weekends I'm up there if you limit archery tags to units like rifles your gonna lose even more of your already declining numbers of people who invest money into gfp and eventually will have no grounds to hunt besides private land I feel bad for the next generation of hunters as I look at my kid and wonder if when he is 30 he will even have the option to hunt if he doesn't have 5 grand for a archery or rifle tag that's the future of hunting and it's saddening</p>
2161	<p>Get rid of the statewide tags if it's an issue and give unlimited east and west river archery tags. Many of us hunters provide money gear ect. To many places around the state. This is what we look forward to and taking that away every year is gunna be a huuuge mistake in my opinion.</p>
2162	<p>Too many hunters what no one else hunting but them. They are the loudest voices unfortunately. Keep policies the same and avoid budget issues.</p>
2163	<p>I hunt primarily west river archery deer in the black hills, targeting mostly muleys. During my 3 years of hunting this as my primary hunting area and target deer I've found that the vast majority of the hunters I come in contact with are non residents from nebraska, iowa, and Wisconsin. Even hunting the Buffalo gap grasslands and the slim buttes I primarily come in contact with out of state hunters. I think if any change is to be made it should be to limit the number of out of state hunters to 2,000 - 3,000 in addition to breaking up their access into smaller units and limiting them to either a whitetail or a mule deer tag. Out of statehunters don't care what they shoot with a bow and a lot of them fill their tags on does which has a negative impact deer population. As far as resident tags I think it should remain the same. After all there's not many hunters that target only muleys. In doing so the state will see a rise in the mule deer numbers which have been very sad and declining the last few years. The mule deer and white tail numbers have been hurting the last few years and limiting the non residents will help that. After all the archery success rate in SD isn't that great and the SDGFP has already successfully screwed up the rifle hunting with ultimately having no affect on the tags, sucess rates, and certainly not raising the deer population in any way. Don't let the same thing happen to those that live and die to archery hunt.</p>
2164	<p>1) Allow crossbows for any hunter over age 65. 2) Allow hunters with an archery permit and turkey license to hunt turkeys with archery equipment beginning October 1. 3) Allow electronic devices for yardage estimation/determination on bows and crossbows. 4) Allow licensed archery deer hunters to hunt during the deer rifle season in the Black Hills without having to get a permit to do so.</p>

2165	Increase non resident tag prices and reduce non resident tag availability. Too many opportunities are taken away from residents due to non residents.
2166	Having to apply for a license in early spring is unnecessary, no draw so why? It just makes it harder for the hunter, unless that's the reason. I would like to see Gregory County gun season opener on the second Saturday in November only, instead of the first Saturday for four days, this would give consistency throughout the state and less confusing, I was given incorrect information by your department because they didn't know ONE county was different, we ended up planning an archery hunt during gun season, not good
2167	The Missouri River gets pounded by nonresident hunters. Last year on the nonresident opener there were 17 nonresident vehicles at little bend. That area cannot sustain that type of pressure and is a problem for residents. Nonresident licensing should be by county and capped at 8%of resident licenses sold the year before. Possibly even fewer for public land licenses. They should not have an unlimited area to hunt. Make them choose a county just like rifle season.
2168	I appreciate you guys listening to us resident hunters. South Dakota does it right
2169	I think the season starts to early and should be extended until the end of January.
2170	Opening public land non resident archery on Sept 1st would assist in reducing non resident archery hunter density. It would also give non residents the opportunity to hunt deer without antelope and elk hunters driving all over.
2171	95% of my frustrations with hunter numbers are from non residents. Lack of knowing areas and lack of respect to other hunters are key. One of the best things we did was restrict them to private land until Oct. 1st. We need more ideas like that, and less ideas that reduce opportunities for our residents with what seasons and locations we get to hunt.\Thanks
2172	I don't have many opinions toward current or past management ideas. Over the years hunting personal tags or going with friends to watch them try to fill theirs, I've lost interest in it. The number of deer that are seen are very low in my area. The deer that are around seem to be bunched in numbers on private non accessible ground. The one thing that really accounts for disinterest is the way some landowners go about handling hunters. It seems that they know they have the numbers and can hold that over non land owners. Asking for upwards of \$500 to harvest a doe is ludicrous. I understand that they own the land and can do as they please. With all the hand outs and government subsidies given out it makes a person want to get into agriculture. It makes sense to think that a person can farm the ditch, drain all low ground, and rip out every tree to farm over because it makes more acres to for the subsidy scheme. On top of that these certain individuals are then acknowledged and praised by conservation groups. With all this being said or typed I'm at peace with the idea that if I would choose to do it again that I would have to play the numbers game and by numbers I mean money. Then acres available in my area I often run into hunters from other parts of the state that are trying to avoid playing the numbers game in their own area. This makes for a little over crowding but still doable. With the added low head count on these acres it makes me wonder why, waste the time? The frustration takes any enjoyment or tranquility of being out in the woods away.
2173	If there is a reduction in our Deer population Residents always before nonresident. Also it might be a good idea to talk to the local residents and hunters, they have a good idea on how to manage the wild.life in their areas. \\#####
2174	Your options in this survey is to broad. I think you should be able to pay your fee and hunt archery deer with a buck tag and antler-less tag(double tag). Either state wide east or west river so you can decide what type of hunt you want to do. You should not be able to harvest 2 bucks with archery equipment unless 1 whitetail or Mulely
2175	Based on the number of road kill does I feel there are too many does and their numbers should be culled somewhat more.
2176	I think control the number of non resident licenses given out with a set limit draw, kind \ of like the rifle draw per unit.

2177	I've been hunting in SD for 16 years now as a non resident. Mostly gun, when I don't draw a gun tag I bow hunt. I have never ran into another bow hunter other than our group. I love your system as it is. Lots and lots of mature bucks
2178	I am fortunate to have several private lands I can hunt in East River and am a Land Owner myself. \It would be ideal if landowners could apply for an addition Landowner archery tag that would go all archery season in lieu of their land owner rifle tag.
2179	i think SD is doing a great job with Game, Fish, and Parks.
2180	Increase license cost and or lottery system for nonresident archery hunters.
2181	Leave everything the way it is.
2182	My observation is near higher populated areas some areas are being over pressured to a point that is disheartening, This is primarily on public ground. As we get away from the highly populated areas these issues are much less from my perspective.\would it be desirable to limit to public access with some sort of lottery system or limit the number of folks accessing these properties by the day or by the week. I can see where a strong argument may be made to somehow limit access to some more public hunting properties especially closer to higher populated areas. Nothing would be perfect as someone is likely to feel put out one way or another.\My fear here is those who have less access or are technically challenged in the way of using apps & the like may be the most limited in the way of accessing the limited access properties.\Thank you for showing interest on this subject.
2183	Quality and experience will increase with more restrictions on access to public
2184	I feel SD should follow suit most other western states have and make it a lottery draw for NR trying to purchase an archery tag. The western side of the state is becoming over commercialized with lots of land leased by out of staters and outfitters making gaining access to landlocked public land and getting permission for private land a near impossible feat.
2185	Keep South Dakota great for residents. Cut down the number of tags for non residents and raise the prices for non residents. My family farm is 1 mile away from lake Louise and we have problems every year with non residents road hunting deer and shooting every doe and buck they see on the public land around the lake. It's hard to manage a herd when the out-of-staters shoot any small bucks, fawns and does they see! I know this is about bow hunting but you should do the same for rifle tags for out of staters. I haven't drawn a rifle tag for 5 years now. I use to get one almost every year. And it never fails, every year we have to run non residents off of our land. Please do something about this sdgfp.
2186	I feel that regulation changes over the years have made archery hunting more common. Residents have gotten into archery hunting because getting rifle licenses has gotten harder. We need to focus on deer population and having resident hunters the priority. I feel that nonresident hunters have taken over areas that were untouched before. I understand GFP and other organizations need funding for public hunting and numerous other things but residents shouldn't have their tag prices increase and have new "stamps" added each year to fund it just to nonresidents hunt it.
2187	I don't agree about having to apply ahead of time to hunt public land. Most private land requires a fee or guide or both. I live in MN where public land is for the public to utilize and enjoy for residents of any state
2188	Leave it the way it is! There are already too many restrictions for resident hunters I remember walking into a gas station to buy some of my first tags now a resident can hardly purchase a an alterless tag I hunt over a huge variety of beadle county and encounter countless farmers who are upset at the population of their deer herd destroying their crops not to mention the amount of dead deer laying along the highways
2189	I really don't have a lot to say about other people who hunt except when I see people who hunt from there trucks. Nothing worse than seeing them seround a deer with there phones and in their trucks.
2190	For the few resident hunters that are complaining about too many non-resident hunters, how about put in restrictions for those areas where these people live and leave the rest of the state as is.

2191	Same as antelope, no need to cut back on tags for the resident. Rather get with the program and match non-resident tag prices. It cost twice as much if not more to hunt as a non-resident in other states. We pretty much hand out the tag for free in comparison.
2192	GFP wasting more time and money. This is another problem that could easily be solved by getting completely rid of all GFP staff. Now have a vote from all hunters in SD to ban outfitting and selling out our states natural resources. This will pass overwhelmingly just like it did in other states. Next split whatever money from licenses and Pittman act money in half. Half goes to hiring contractors to make shelter belts other half to leasing property for hunting. There problem solved. Plenty of game for the residents and private land will be available to average guy again since landowners can't sell out our states resources for personal gain. GFP is corrupt and has exploited the resources of the people of SD. You clearly have taken sides not with the people of the state but people with money. Shame on you
2193	Make the archery antlerless tags good for 2 to 3 does. Instead of only 1, it would help with herd control and overall health of the herd.
2194	The main area where I have experienced conflict is public land in Harding County. When I was firearm antelope hunting the last 2 years I had multiple stalks completely ruined by archery deer hunters walking in not paying attention. Similarly a cave hills elk hunt in 2021 was derailed by archery hunters. I would like to propose that the archery seasons be closed in Harding County when firearm seasons (pronghorn/elk) are open. It not only impacts the hunt but it's a huge safety issue when camo-clad bow hunters are walking into areas (some heavily wooded) where firearm hunters routinely take 250-400 yards shots. It is only a matter of time before a horrific accident occurs in an extremely remote part of the state. Furthermore In the 10 years I've been hunting Harding county the number of non-resident now hunters targeting mule deer has ballooned to a point where residents can no longer find a camp spot. Non-residents completely saturate those walk-in and forest service lands and resident hunters are losing opportunities.
2195	Limited draw for non resident. One year draw.
2196	Hunting is a great revenue source for SD. Non Residents spend big money to come to, stay in, and hunt South Dakota. I'd encourage non res archery hunters through targeted advertising.
2197	I enjoy the archery season in South Dakota as it provides me as a out of state hunter to be able to come out and hunt with my family that live here , it's been a family tradition for over 50 years and would hate for it to change.
2198	We built and own a family cabin/house in Day county along with 80 acres and spend a significant amount of time fishing and hunting in the area as well as improving the land and being involved in the local community. We are non-residents coming over from MN although we spend enough time and money that we feel like residents. Probably not possible but it'd be nice to somehow classify different kinds of "non-residents" so a random person coming from way out of state that really doesn't have an interest in the area other than hunting doesn't somehow get ahead of someone who has a vested interest in being there. Not a huge issue now given we only really archery hunt but if licenses start to be restricted it matters a little more.
2199	See more and more non residents hunting western public lands due to the demand of other states and getting harder to draw in other western states. Nonresident are guaranteed an archery tag. And should have to pay more and be in a lotto. I moved here due to the hunting and fishing and would have paid way more for the Nonresident tag when I did come here. Also hunt Wyoming. And have private access to over 200000 acres. But I choose to stay in my home state and hunt.
2200	I bought my downland so I can hunt. I. also have guests that come that I do not want to restrict.
2201	Create a similar input form for Walleye harvest regulations on the Missouri River System.
2202	Would like to see the option to purchase an antlerless archery tag with the any deer archery license.
2203	Not many states allow multiple any deer. Why not give licenses to more people and give more opportunities to people vs letting a few people get multiple tags. As many of those people getting 3 or more tags say non residents ruin hunting there when non residents only account for around 5000 tags vs residents account for 300000.

2204	Limit the amount of mule deer archery tags for both residents and non residents. Mule deer numbers seem to be way down. Use more funds to open up QUALITY private ground for archery only hunting.
2205	Allow limited draw archery hunting in areas with a high deer population. For instance, along rice street there are a high number of deer vs car accidents. Allowing at least antlerless only tags in that area would help reduce the number of accidents.
2206	First start off with making non-resident with a limited draw. And lower numbers that way and see how it works instead of looking at both non resident and resident archery hunters in the same group.
2207	South Dakota seems to manage their big game very well. One thought that might be considered given the increased demand for big game hunting opportunities would be to designate specific areas throughout the state as "primitive weapon only" units. I do not currently use primitive archery gear, but would gladly learn how if there were units with good trophy potential that required such use. By restricting several units (even relatively small areas) to primitive weapons only, even an increase of hunting pressure will not impact the deer population nearly as much as modern equipment does. As a result, more hunters can be accommodated with minimal impact on game populations. Trophy potential would likely skyrocket as age class naturally increases, drawing more attention from hunters willing to sacrifice modern gear, resulting in less pressure to the areas those archers currently hunt. In an age where technology continues to advance at an ever rapid pace, states need to get creative to maintain quality opportunities for all. Thanks for your time!
2208	I do not think there are too many hunters in the field. I think if GFP worked on better access to these "section-line land-locked" parcels this crowding idea would go away. that being said, i do not hunt in the northwest corner of the state where most of the issue is from what i have heard. I do my homework and hunt in areas that do not have many other people. Why punish the whole state if there is only a few key areas where there are high numbers of non-residents. \\If there is a change to be made it has to be based on wildlife management not social science. Personally, if that is going to be done a unit based mandatory harvest reporting needs to be done. Do it without a cap at first to see how many hunters you really have in the area and how many deer are harvested in those counties. If those numbers are to high for the mule deer population to handle on the average year then numbers of tags needs to be limited. \\As a non-resident there is no need to cap resident archery. \\DJ
2209	The amount of does in the norris area is incredible, need more tags to manage the heard.
2210	As a nonresident,we used to get rifle tags,we don't anymore if we can't get archery tags either you will loss more hunters to other states
2211	If there is a need to limit archery hunters my suggestion is to have a draw system for non-residents.
2212	There needs to be an established access for any public ground. So many times I got out west and I see possible ground to hunt but thereâ€™s no clear way to access it unless going through private.
2213	I don't agree with having to purchase a non-resident license in April to be able to hunt public land. A non-resident may not know in April if they can make the Fall Archery hunt or not so if they buy the license in April and can not make the hunting trip they are out the money. \\I liked the old way of being able to purchase a non-resident license just a few weeks prior to hunting trip and being able to hunt both private and public land.
2214	Let the state residents hunt and only let out of state hunters hunt their state and stay out of SD.
2215	Allow greater participation, ie: crossbow. Base restrictions of hunters on deer densities. If concerns about too many archery hunters exists, restrict number of licenses available but only if greater than desired numbers of deer are being harvested.
2216	If the license numbers are lowered, I would like to see the rifle/muzzleloader license numbers go up. Muzzleloader draw takes too many years to get. For someone like my wife that cannot bow hunt, it would be nice for her to be able to get a license more than every 3-4 years. We only have 35 acres and do not qualify for landowner, although we do a lot for the animals on our small parcel.
2217	To many deer hunters going on Private land too many deer license

2218	I live and ranch in the black hills. Each year we are swarmed by hunters, not just deer hunters, but turkey hunters as well (not to mention the complete over-abundance atv/utvs). In my opinion there is too much pressure on all game species in the hills, and any action by SDGFP to lessen that pressure is appreciated. As a side note, please allow more liberal methods of hunting mountain lions. Lions are efficient predators are I believe they account for a much higher take on elk, deer and turkeys than is realized. Thanks for the opportunity and for giving consideration to my comments.
2219	I'm really torn with this topic. I know the increase numbers are good for hunting and state in general. Yet, I feel the cutting the number of rifle tags has lead to the increasing archery hunters. Maybe look at a better balance across all seasons would lead to a realignment to balance. Increase of public lands might help spread people out. It's become to much of a pay to play sport. Us little guys are fighting to what little access we have or at leasts spots there isn't 10 other people trying to hunt. Most deer just get pushed into private lands after pheasant, dove, and archery seasons open.
2220	Disappointed with the amount of SD card thefts I had this year on public land
2221	Make crossbows legal archery equipment and your license sales will go through the roof. Also, do like some states where before you get an any deer tag you have to get a doe tag and fill that first.
2222	too many whitetail deer in eastern SD. So many deer it is dangerous to drive a vehicle at night .Too many deer hits.
2223	Eliminating the opportunity to buy an east river and a wet river tag in our state is a terrible idea for residents. In most cases residents buy both but only fulfill one tag. It's more for the opportunity if it works out. I do however agree with limiting the number of non-res archery permits to specific counties based on the the number of deer that are above quota.
2224	Limit access and decrease non resident licenses. Wisconsin and Minnesota hunters are running all over our public lands and causing problems for resident hunters. There is too much pressure on our public lands. Limited drawer areas would increase the quality and age class of the deer available on public lands.
2225	Hi. Been archery hunting most of my life. In in my 60s. The biggest threat to archery hunting and the pressure your observing, is probably the crossbow. My guess is gun hunters are converting via crossbow. It definitely is not archery! I believe it has its purpose, but needs a very limited season similar to gun seasons.
2226	I feel that nonresidents take advantage of are public lands, along with private land owners and the paid hunting side. We are becoming more and more privatized into the hunting industry. It's sad to see this and having so many nonresident flood are public and make it so hard for my kids and anyone that's a resident. I also feel that limiting non residents into a more gridded 4 to 6 unit area on a limited tag base for archery. This would allow adjustments on low deer population times from year to year. If the idea is interesting I would gladly write a more detailed arrangement for you.
2227	Allow non resident archery hunters to begin on September 1st on public land again. As a non resident hunter I experienced little to no hunting pressure hunting on public. This change has detoured me from hunting South Dakota.
2228	If anything restrictions on out of state hunter's would make the most sense. Increase out of state archery hunting costs and make out of state hunting a limited drawing process instead of anyone!
2229	I love hunting South Dakota very much. I used to be a resident, and am now a non-resident. Although I don't make it very often, I purchase an archery permit nearly every year. I like how you limit rifle tags... and am very happy with the State's current approach to their deer tags.... it has made it my favorite state to deer hunt. Thank You

2230	I hear other residents complain on the internet about there being too many hunters on public land. It's a simple case of supply and demand. It will sort itself out. If there are too many hunters on one piece they will go elsewhere. We have a lot of public land compared to other states like Iowa where I grew up. There's plenty of room for everyone, and if they don't like it they can walk farther or get up earlier or both :) Many of the discussions also revolve around raising prices to discourage nonresidents from coming to SD. Shouldn't we be encouraging tourism to our state for hunting like we do for other activities? We/State GFP probably made a lot of money the last couple years by implementing the habitat stamp for all hunters and fishermen. "WE" also already cut the nonresidents out of using their own federal public BLM lands during the first month of the SD archery season several years ago. Let's not get even more greedy and selfish.
2231	Why do you want to put more restrictions on hunting? It is hard enough to get access to hunt deer with landowners restricting access because they feel that the game animals belong to them unless they can get paid for giving access. It is very hard to get permission to hunt any state owned game animals in South Dakota across the board.
2232	If anybody should be limited, it should be NON resident. These people have their own states to hunt in. Even contemplating taking away from South Dakotans is wrong. No matter how much money out of state tags bring. \\Before real, successful bowhunters are limited, our state should consider some sort of reporting system like other states do. So that actual deer harvest numbers are recorded. I hunt public for half of my season. And I hunt A LOT. Several times throughout the week and typically all weekend. There are several tree stands and blinds out there that I have never seen anybody use. They are put up and rarely ever used. And they are left up ALL YEAR LONG. \\The number of tags bought could be far more than the number of deer harvested. I know many people who buy a buck tag and end up using it on a doe. And often are unable to fill a tag at all, and most people probably buy 2 tags. I began archery hunting as a means to feed my family on a single income. And I'm very good at it.\\I would think that if it were to come down to a draw such as rifle season, that would absolutely destroy the art of what is archery hunting. People would not train to make the best shot on the animal if they don't even know for sure if they will get a tag each year. Archery gives people something to look forward to and train for all year if they want to. I think that taking away the number of tags would destroy bowhunting as a whole and be detrimental.\\If the number of tags actually filled each year are detrimental to the deer population, then by all means. But I am firm on the idea that it should be recorded for actual harvests. And not based on number of tags sold. \\How many people buy a fishing license, and may go only one time a year, or not at all? I have done that myself for the last two years. I always buy about every type of license each year and typically don't do those activities even one time.
2233	Archery, unlike rifle hunting in SD in wide open areas is a low percentage proposition. Deer are not being pressured by archery hunters, compared to rifle hunters, so changing licensing for archery isn't warranted.\\Given how difficult a non-res rifle tag is, an archery tag might be the only way to get people to SD to hunt deer, and should be encouraged since the number of tags offered doesn't even come close to the number of deer actually taken and registered.
2234	still think you should get a doe tag and a buck tag with your archery license or at least be able to possibly add a doe tag if the population numbers were sufficient for your area for that year
2235	East River rifle season should be available to nonresident hunters on private property.
2236	Limit the nonresident archery license. \\Give the resident archery elk hunters the month of September back. We wait so long for a tag and now in the last few years you have to deal with archery deer hunters during the archery elk season.
2237	Why are we shorting the residents for tags to give non-residents? How do you know how many archery hunters are targeting whitetail vs mule deer when itâ€™s an any tag. I hunt both species in a very small areaâ€™; I think you should have to pick East or west river, I have 0 opportunities to hunt public land East river, but the amount of East river people that show up out west are ridiculous.
2238	Regulate the out-of-state Mule deer hunters as they apply for all the other states that they want to meal deer hunt in. And if they donâ€™t get excepted in those other states they fall back on South Dakota sense unlimited.\\As for Whitetail, they seem to be overpopulated in certain areas.

2239	While the season opening September 1st attracts more out of state hunters, the ability to harvest a buck in velvet is a great opportunity for us hunters. Please keep the archery date opening September 1st.
2240	In some instances, SD residents struggle to draw access permits to limited access units. Those units should be dedicated to residents only. SD residents shouldn't have to compete with non-residents for units that are already restricted access. \Non-resident archery permits should have availability based on herd health and percentages of land available to public access. Non-resident archery permits should be treated like a firearm permit where hunters have to apply for and stay within specific units - no statewide or ER/WR options available. \There is no need to change permit availability to private land. Hunters with access to private land have a responsibility to manage the resources of that ground with any other hunters that may have the same access. The state has no right to dictate what access or availability a hunter has to his own ground, save for population management techniques.\I believe permit quotas on public lands are needed in some areas/units, and permits should be awarded on a first-come first-serve application basis. The hunter that is willing to plan his fall in early summer is more likely to make an effort in achieving success - which to the state means a higher percentage of return on tags issued when it comes to food, fuel, lodging, etc expenses invested in such a hunt.
2241	Would like to see the overall land owner requirement change to providing prove individuals who own less than the required amount of land currently required are conservationists and are providing habitats for wildlife would be able to purchase as land owner for big game licenseâ€™s
2242	Increase tag costs for both resident and nonresidents. Restrict nonresidents to one archery buck tag
2243	I like the CHAPS program. I'd like to see more around the Yankton lake area.
2244	A topic like this needs to be switched from archery to rifle. Archery hunting is not a 100% guarantee. With a rifle you can basically are guaranteed to fill a tag just depends how picky one person is. And the amount of non resident hunters in South Dakota is way too high. I feel that the number of non residents push the number of residents out of certain areas. Or makes them fight for a spot that they never had to before.
2245	I've been a successful avid TRADITIONAL bow hunter in SD since 1976 for deer, elk, and one Big Horn sheep. Due to the ridiculous need to open an account to apply for a license, so involved that TUTORIALS are offered to explain how to do it, rather than a simple mail in application, I, along w/ several others, have decided to forget buying licenses. More will join our ranks. Eventually, you will realize to increase income from license sales, the simple solution is, bring back the mail-in applications! After all, you'll be needing more \$\$\$ in order to keep up with pay increases for Kristy Nome's selected Game Commissioners! \Also, with all the gadgetry, blinds, and projectile flinging machines that are called "BOWS", it isn't real archery any more. Bow hunting was meant for those who wanted a challenge. Business made it easier for anyone to supposedly become an "archer", to increase profits. Remove the "machines", and the number of bow hunters will drop to the point that restricting licenses won't be required.
2246	none resident hunters should have to hunt on only private lands, leave the public lands to the resident hunters.
2247	Non resident licenses should be a drawn and tag fee should be 500 dollars. Limit residents to 1 statewide buck tag and upto 2 doe tags.
2248	Need few tags for non residents or have non resident archery for a lottery
2249	People shouldnâ€™t be able to hunt ROW. Those people in most cases are more pillaging than anything close to a sportsman. They give hunters a very poor reputation. Dogs running on private property guns out the window, not a good thing.
2250	none.
2251	Archery hunters shouldnâ€™t get a chance at the biggest deer before rifle hunters every year
2252	Adjust the archery start date 15 days or so later and extend the rifle season into mid-December or provide more muzzle loader tags for the month of December so hunters can take advantage of the second rut.
2253	I am a nonresident SD Hunter (from IL) and I am very impressed with SD outdoor efforts especially the concept of public land being â€œthis is your land.â€• IL is very much the opposite

2254	Its not fair non res can't hunt until October. The access to property is being blocked and posted also being told by ranchers you can't hunt on school grounds they post also seeing electric bicycles being used on walk in. This is probably going to be my last season hunting sd. I'll spend my money in states that will appreciate non resident.
2255	I really believe out of state archery hunters should be able to start at the same time as residents. I would love to go to south dakota annually and support their economy but not when in state residents get 2 full weeks to archery hunt before me.
2256	Move the start date back to what it use to be and have it end in February
2257	Make archery any deer tags a draw for public land west river for both residents and non residents. But give unlimited whitetail tags. Waiting several years to draw a rifle or muzzle racer tag sucks if the bow hunters have shot or moved deer onto private land.
2258	I've primarily bowhunted SD for 10+ years now, with 1 year of rifle hunting. I recommend switching the rifle deadline with the archery deadline dates. Further more, I rarely see any other deer hunters ON FOOT in the woods. Most people just drive around in trucks & road hunting. As far as Archery hunting goes, I feel there is no need to restrict bowhunters any more. Your stats show an roughly additional 8000 Archery hunters overall, with an estimated 30% success rate, that's an additional 2500 or so harvested deer per year. In a state that houses I'd imagine 500,000 deer overall, that 2500 deer harvested won't hurt the population too much. No need to restrict archery hunters furthermore, in my opinion.
2259	Rifle draws are already limited and adding limits to archery will just cause more restrictions. Also might move hunters to other hunt crowding unintentionally. Antelope etc.
2260	Please restrict the number of tags for nonresidential and allow residential to have more tags (even if non antler.)
2261	The limited purchasing time window for archery deer non-resident is unfair to the out of state hunters. If unlimited licenses are available why not keep the window to purchase a license open until the season comes to an end? I along with my fellow out of stater are very unhappy with this new purchasing Window.
2262	Every year it's harder and harder to get on decent public land that some Minnesota or Michigan hunters have run through launching arrows at every spike they see. Antler restrictions for any buck killed may help calm the out of states down a bit.
2263	To me the problem doesn't seem like there are too many archery hunters. I recognize that part of the experience of hunting a western state is the ability to get away from other people, but the overall pressure is nothing compared to an eastern state. My vote is to keep things as they are until we can tell there are (or soon will be) population-level impacts on the resource. My other thought is that we need more public land. South Dakota's levels of accessible land are much lower than most other western states. A few key purchases could open up existing landlocked public and greatly increase access and spread out hunters.
2264	Charge more there is good hunting in South Dakota just like other states that charge half again\ As we do
2265	There are way too many nonresident archery hunters in this state. I find it to be ridiculous that we are the only state that allows unlimited over the counter archery tags for nonresident hunters when there are states with far more deer that don't even allow this. The same goes for antelope as the antelope numbers are nowhere near what they should be anyways.
2266	I don't see any reason at all for a state wide archery license. Either you hunt west river or you hunt east ricer, simple as that.
2267	N/A
2268	I believe you should restrict the amount of nonresident archery hunters that come into the area. Our local taxes pay for things that are local. Out-of-state hunters only come in and get the deer riled up.
2269	We need more trained archery hunters some act like the law don't apply to them
2270	I'm really not well enough informed to have an opinion on most of these issues. Out of the loop I guess and I only hunt my own land.

2271	We run into more nonresident hunters than resident. Number of nonresident public land hunters needs to decrease due to lack of public land suitable for deer hunting and decreasing deer numbers.
2272	I am a non-resident bowhunter who would love to see more archery opportunities on public lands for non-residents.
2273	Do. Not. Mess. With. Archery. Tags. You complain about not enough hunters and push R-3, then try to stop people from hunting by creating more restrictions? These numbers of increased hunters should be takes as a success, not as an action needed item. People who complain about seeing too many hunters in the field are GREEDY, selfish "hunters" and should NOT be listened to.
2274	If there are any restrictions put on resident hunters I'd like to see restrictions based on region of residence. I live in the Black Hills and those if us that live there should have a higher probability of getting Hills tags over hunters that live elsewhere.
2275	Non resident draw
2276	I just appreciate the availability to archery hunt with out a lottery restriction in the state of South Dakota. The ability to get an any sex tag as well is a doe tag is very nice.
2277	I think the system is correct. Heavy on non-residents is only complaint
2278	To many out state deer and pheasant hunters should definitely be a limit on tags or license
2279	More nonresidents on public then residents.
2280	My thoughts on this limit the amount of non residents in the western part of the state. It seems that is more of a target for nonresidents and my concern is the muley numbers. How do the muley numbers compare from 2012 to now. I think they are way lower. EHD has reared it's ugly head and the animals need some time to recover. We don't need to wait until the numbers are way to high but, in my opinion, numbers aren't where they used to be. Antelope still haven't recovered unless the current amount is what the GFP are after.
2281	More resident public hunting with less regulation and limit non resident hunting
2282	I'm a non-resident archery mule deer hunter. I have hunted the Wall area on different private ranches for the past 20 years. I see few to no bow hunters in the area. I have been successful harvesting a mule deer buck about 60% of the years. I see hundreds of deer every year on the 3000 - 10000 acres properties I hunt. These properties get hunted by several gun hunters each year with 100% success. I will see 20+ bucks & 50+ does each morning while glassing. I see dozens of deer while driving to & from these properties. I have noticed a slight decline in quality buck sightings in the last few years, but I believe that is due to crop & cattle rotations. There doesn't seem to be any overhunting by bow hunters.
2283	Non-resident hunting pressure has seemingly increased significantly for Mule Deer in recent years. I expect this is large in part to the promotion of western style hunting on youtube and social media. These non-residents often come to South Dakota because they are guaranteed a tag unlike neighboring states. While I believe non-resident hunters should have an opportunity to hunt in SD, it should be limited and controlled to a quota with a lottery draw.
2284	As far as a management idea with more hunters you may need to look into putting regulations on what gets harvested. Example maybe a buck needs to be a minimum of a 4x4 or bigger to harvest for whitetail. At least give younger deer the opportunity to grow or something on the lines of that nature. More hunters likely means more young deer getting shot. Also if you don't have an accurate number of animals killed. Iowa requires you to report your harvest within 24 hours of finding and tagging the animal. List county/date/time/sex and they give a confirmation number that you have to write on your tag.
2285	Let the nonresident hunters hunt public land along with the residents in September
2286	To many out of state tags are given in which lowers the success rate or residents that go hunting
2287	Have never ran into an archery hunting issue. It works good now and has for years don't make it confusing like our rifle seasons or create issue's where there isn't any.
2288	I think nonresident tags should be reduced and changed to a lottery draw only.

2289	Nonresidents should be able to hunt all public lands and WIA with an archery tag. I was going to buy an archery tag for the last few years, but since I can't hunt public land in my area, I won't. With my experience, South Dakota is losing out on a lot of revenue because of this. Isn't the point of having public land so the public can use it?
2290	I hunt a lot of everything in South Dakota. The people that are complaining that non-residents are putting too much pressure on are not putting in equivalent effort to non-resident hunters. I live in western South Dakota and would not say that the pressure is high at all. The rifle seasons are a mess, but the archery hunting opportunities are some of the best in the country. I left Colorado to move to South Dakota and it is waaaay better here. I honestly think hunters in South Dakota have been hunting fish in a barrel for too long and don't want to put the effort in. Social media is magnifying the idea of successful non-resident hunters because people come here and brag about how awesome it is, which with a tourism based economy is exactly what we want.
2291	Limit nonresident tags
2292	If you limit the amount of resident archery licenses, it will upset a lot of resident guys. Archery is one thing a guy is guaranteed a tag on. It could be two years for a resident guy to get a rifle tag. Thus, why guys are switching to archery. I've noticed an increase in archery hunters but how many guys actually fill there tag? Id say 50%.
2293	Let the public lands grow with trees and shrubs So the deer and other wildlife have a place to hide in
2294	Very few deer seen in day county last year thats private land only me hunting it
2295	It is way too easy for a nonresident to purchase an archery tag. Should make just nonresident tag a loto draw because they pay money for a tag and shoot the first deer they see because they bought an out of state tag. They don't judge/manage the deer herd. Also you go to ask permission on a piece and they say no because joe blow from out of state that may only come one time a year to hunt. Make non resident a loto draw.
2296	More public land would be helpful for both resident and non resident archery hunters. Restrictions for residents or those that don't have and can't afford to hunt private land would make it even more difficult to harvest deer here as a middle class person.
2297	Need to limit nonresident hunters access to archery tags. Many residents feel pushed by non residents who have more time/money to pursue game.
2298	Non resident should be allowed to have the same opening day as the resident hunters. Since rule change it has made hunting a lot harder for us non residents who pay good money to hunt.
2299	State will generate more money allowing hunters to get 2 tags east and west river and the money the small towns look forward to that extra money during hunting season
2300	I don't agree with the fact that residents have the whole month of September to hunt public land before nonresident are able to, especially on federal land.
2301	It would be nice to be able to take a buck and a doe on public land as an out of state hunter.
2302	Give nonresident land owners discount tags for archery deer, for ##### we pay taxes and still pay the same fee as all nonresidents , that's not right !!!!!
2303	Public access is the only way I hunt and has been for 10+ years. The amount of tags available at this time allow me to get hunting in before hunting access is sparse because of the use of public land from other hunters. I am able to hunt more with the access areas available now and the tags allotted.
2304	I wouldn't change anything unless deer numbers are decreasing at an alarming rate. I think South Dakota has done things right for the last 10 years but I'm starting to get nervous with the trend that states are doing in creating so many new rules. The hunting community has been trying to grow and pass down the traditions and it seems to be making a little progress. The more rules and micromanaging the harder that will be on the community. I love how South Dakota is compared to my home state of Minnesota where they seem to have everything backwards and it seems like the more they do the worse it gets.
2305	A lot of out of state hunters.

2306	Restricting non-residents to private land only if licenses are purchased after April 1 is the most backward regulation I have seen to this date. I have been putting in for a west river rifle tag in your state for 7 years (finally got it this year and am thankful for that), but I could never buy a non-resident archery license instead since I didn't know my draw results until late-June. Please reconsider that restriction, or at least change the date to after rifle draws are posted.
2307	Keep the system the same.
2308	In my honest opinion the game and fish just want to take and take. limiting the non residents who want to spend money in your state and enjoy what South Dakota has to offer. When you mess with the regs you start to lose hunters. And when you lose hunters you lose your budget. Sad to see the game and fish contemplating more reg changes. You want to change the regs? How about start with kicking cattle off our public lands. Hard to hunt some of these pieces when they are grazed down to nothing.
2309	Something needs to change
2310	Seriously? Archery tags for deer need to stay the same for residents. This shouldn't even be a question. It's one of the hardest things to be successful at. If you want something changed, drive around once the non-residents can hunt and check the license plates out west. 90% non residents. Do the same for rifle. It might make your residents, the people who should be number 1, more happy. We've said these things for many years and the gfp is always 3 steps behind. The antelope population didn't go down this year, it did 3 years ago! Manage rifle tags, whatever. But don't mess with something that's a lot harder to do.
2311	I don't feel this is an issue, have been hunting across most of the state and have ran into a few other archery hunters but have never had any issues with other archery hunters, the only issue is with other hunters is road hunters during the rifle season.
2312	People come to South Dakota for an any deer tag, hoping to find a mule deer. \South Dakota deer numbers are dropping, the state should adapt a one whitetail buck per year per hunter. \Managing deer is not about making money on draws and licenses.
2313	The quality of SD hunting is great and I always look forward to going. Glad to see efforts made to preserve the resources. -MN Hunter
2314	I think the current system is working great! Please don't change!!
2315	Don't fix something that isn't broken. The system has and continued to work well. Giving people the opportunity to harvest their game that will feed their families.
2316	In my ten years of archery hunting as a non-resident on public land, I have encountered 1-2 other hunters each year. I go hunting for 5 days each time, and the only other hunters I may encounter are residents hunting on the weekend, which I respect and stay away from. Based on that, in my opinion no changes are needed. And the restrictions on when I can purchase my license, and the change in dates have done nothing but discourage me from hunting in SD. If the goal of the residents is to keep out the non residents, then the path you're on is the correct one. I hope the state goes back to the way it was before this myth about too many hunters began.
2317	Due to the popularity of internet hunting shows there has been an influx of unwanted nonresident hunters. These nonresident hunters are clogging up the public land and driving out resident hunters due to lack of available public land. It would be beneficial to implement a limited draw for nonresident hunters vs a pretty much guaranteed tag.
2318	That's is a lot of competition for public land use so limiting our of state hunters might help manage the over crowding
2319	Any additional restrictions should have an exemption for resident and non-resident landowners hunting on their own land. I think the current private land hunting is going well with no changes needed. I do not hunt any public land so don't really know if this should be more restricted or not. Please do not put additional restrictions on private land. Thank you.

2320	I feel they should do away with people being able to shoot multiple bucks. It should be one tag and once that's full your done with bow and rifle. If you want shoot more maybe a bonus antlerless tag for whitetail. You shouldn't be able to get a buck east,west, rifle, and refuge if drawn. Give everyone the opportunity to shoot one buck if they so choose. May it be a mule deer or whitetail their choice. Nonresident season should go back to sept 1st that way nonresidents aren't limited to time going there and spreads the crowd out more. They are the money makers so don't limit their tags or increase price. A lot of money is brought to the state from nonresidents and if things change for the worse for nonresidents I will be done coming there and bring my money to a different state that allows earlier hunting and cheaper.
2321	We have been coming for about 10 years. We have from 5 to 10 that have come with us and have enjoyed every season so far hope u do not change to a draw hunt as this would stop us from hunting their. I do not apply in states that have to draw. I have become more selective on the deer and have not gotten one the last three years. We truly enjoy it as it is now please don't change Thank you
2322	I have not hunted much because lost most of my hand and only get a few year permit for cross bow and not going to run down a officer and get one every few years like my hand is going to grow back over time not to give me a lifetime permit
2323	As a nonresident who likes hunting in South Dakota for mule deer, if significant changes are made to the current system to limit nonresident hunters or public land access, I will choose to hunt another state that provides higher quality hunts. I have never seen the overcrowding on public land that I hear residents complain about. \\Thanks for the input opportunity, I hope for as few changes as possible to the current system.
2324	Need to remove doe mule deer from archery tags but put a 3 points or bigger on mule deer bucks and make any buck tag instead of a any deer tag.
2325	D N R website is not user friendly, needs revising.
2326	As a previous resident, now non-resident I appreciate South Dakota's deer hunting opportunities. I would prefer a limited amount of NR archery tags and also that the season opens September 1 for NR public land hunters. I think this would provide better quality of hunts, although not as frequent.
2327	I feel like the right questions were not asked in this survey. It is completely obvious there are way too many people getting archery licenses in South Dakota statewide and hunting public areas and it needs to be restricted in license draws for those areas. Private land is a complete different story. Landowners are going to restrict the number of hunters they have on their property to whatever they feel necessary. The simplest solution is to have limited entry public land archery licenses and leave the licenses unlimited for archery on private land. Whether it is a public land license or private land license there is really no need to have the ability to get more than one any deer license though (east and west river).
2328	Make the archery tags a draw an limit the number according to deer herd density. My family an I are non resident an we've hunted in SD since 2012. Always the highlite of our year.
2329	The price of the tag for non residents should be raised to a minimum of \$400. This will eliminate 5 to 10% of the non resident hunters. The Game and Fish should not restrict the number of non resident archery licenses on private land. I do believe there are too many non resident hunters on public land especially in western SD. By raising the price, this will deter some of the hunters. The SD Bowhunters association recommended that you should limit the Non resident tags to 8%. That's ridiculous especially on private land. Drawing a New Mexico Bull Elk Tag would be easier to draw than a SD Deer tag. That's a terrible plan
2330	Should hunter numbers become problematic make them choose where they are going to hunt. You can't manage a resource if you don't know where the hunters are except when they retort a harvest. 30k hunters is double the number of 1981 when I started my bowhunter research. Good luck with this quandry!
2331	No changes need to be made

2332	It's hard to provide specific feedback that you request. I primarily hunt on private land that family and friends on. I do not have the opportunity to hunt on public land is an out-of-state resident most of the time however I do not typically see a lot of foot traffic of oh hunters on state or public land when I am out observing so I feel the ratio is about right. I do however feel that there is a slight disconnect in the pricing of out-of-state hunters. I pay close to 300+ dollars in tags for the opportunity to bow hunt which is a little over the top compared to what it was when I started
2333	No need to separate East and west river. One statewide any deer tag per hunter then make additional tags available if numbers show the need to increase harvest.
2334	I believe we are right in the sweet spot regarding archery deer tag allocations. I believe the changes that were made a couple years ago in regards to out of state licenses has been perfect. I hunt public land only and haven't really had any issues running into too many hunters.
2335	Way too many does in area where I hunt. part of the added applications for archery deer is the new system so we can only apply for two tags rifle.. So when they dont draw, and only antlerless left in area where they want to hunt, they apply for archery and at least get to hunt a buck.
2336	Please create draw units for archery mule deer. Whitetail seems to be OK. Both residents and non residents hunter numbers are too high given the amount of public land. Also. Create more units like 35L. Lower the number of access permits for the trophy units like 35L and limit 27L. We have plenty of opportunities to hunt but need to start managing archery in a way similar to rifle to manage for mature animals.
2337	I think the length of the season allows for the continuation of unlimited licenses as that helps ease crowding. number of deer harvested should be the main factor in determining if license numbers should be limited.
2338	Deer and other big game license fees need to be re-evaluated. Compared to other western states, SD residents pay too much and non - residents pay too little.
2339	We should limit nonresident archery tags significantly and charge multiple times more than we currently do. Do a draw for a state wide archery tag and limit it Limit to one side of the river unless they are lucky and draw a state wide. This will help generate revenue with up price in non resident and help control hunters with one side of river or the other.
2340	I think Covid bs had a lot to do with the increase being your state still was open to public activities. Once people have experienced a good time they will keep coming back as long as they have a place to enjoy themselves
2341	In my observations over the last 5 years specifically regarding west river archery hunting, the hunter numbers have seemed to sky rocket as most hunter congregate in certain portions of the state where deer numbers are noticeably better. I quit rifle hunting public land out there due to too high of pressure on public lands and I am concerned that we are headed quickly down that same path with archery if no quotas on archery tags are implemented. I personally would rather draw an archery tag EVERY OTHER year and see less hunting pressure as opposed to every year and continue to see increasing pressure.
2342	Have nonresident rifle season moved to later November when the rut is over. The state would have bigger bucks. Also allow landowners so many tags for the acres they own. Not just one free tag for 160 acres. Some land owners have 1,000s of acres and feed deer herds all year long. They should be compensated. Thank you for reading this.
2343	The advent of high end crossbows are probably the reason for increase in archery numbers. If you want to lessen amount of pressure on public land. Make crossbows illegal weapons on public land
2344	The new APP is not fun to request access permits. Especially not in a group. That needs to be way easier and full proof. Why are some permits lumped together? I called the App helpline and they had no clue on access permits. If SDGFP is going to require access permits then the app customer service needs to know what they are and how to navigate. I'm a non-resident archery hunter who's hunted areas for 7 years and harvested one deer. Last 2 years I've been stopped by game and fish multiple times in same week in same unit by same person. Feel like enforcement is targeting non-residents. I'm 100% legal and ethical. Just don't like the targeting.

2345	I would like to have seen harvest statistics listed with the growth of hunters. Personally I don't like the idea of being forced to apply for a specific area for archery as the many areas is a large draw for it. I do however see the need to limit the number of archery tags that are sold
2346	The price of a non-resident archery tag needs to increase, and be more in line with what the other neighboring States are charging.
2347	I live across the highway from the BH National Forest. I have tried unsuccessfully to draw a gun permit several years, yet non-residential permits continue to be issued. I accept that this is the program in South Dakota and have decided finally to get some archery training so I can hunt in the future. I am in hopes that I can get a bow permit every year once I begin archery hunting. It seems residents should have some preference. But I understand that non-residents spend more money here when they come to hunt than I will on hunting. But I pay significantly more taxes than they ever will.
2348	Don't make archery a draw just limit the number of tags available to buy from east west and any statewide to just a statewide.
2349	I didn't like many of the options. I find that non residents need to come last. The reason for the rise in bow hunting is the difficulty in getting a rifle or muzzleloader tag. I know I started hunting with bow for this reason.
2350	Go back to no deadline for licenses.
2351	The Game & Fish has none a great job in the management of deer in the Black Hills, by limiting the number of licenses for firearms, this has really worked, they should do something similar with the archery season. But thank you for bringing back good numbers of deer and good quality bucks!
2352	Application process is getting very complicated however your state is awesome
2353	The Yankton County antlerless tags should be open to the whole county, not restricted to South of Hwy 50 and West of Hwy 81. It forces too many hunters into the limited public land in that area, while the rest of the county has a large population of does that is still restricted from hunting for some reason.
2354	You all have really punted deer management in the state. Quit limiting non resident hunters. Your east river hunters and their vacation hunts are your issue. And stop giving handouts to farmers. They signed up to farm. Pay your wardens so they actually stay and give them overtime.
2355	I hope you leave the regulations as they are currently. If any thing should be considered, I would suggest lowering the number of out of state available licenses. You state that archery hunters have increased 30% in the last ten years. In reality, South Dakota resident hunters have only increased 20%, while non resident hunters have increased nearly 90%. Keep South Dakota for South Dakotans!
2356	you are missing the real issue and thats the use of motorized SXS and ATV usage that runs the deer off and does not allow any oportunites for the archery humter to hunt is a manner applicable to the task at hand. You have completely devastated the Hills by allowing this abomination to occur and you traded ethics of the outdoors experience for money
2357	South Dakota makes it challenging to access for non-residents, maybe it's intentional. Great state, I'm willing to pay more if I could access more areas!
2358	The restrictive season lengths on archery nonresident hunters, and antlerless only muzzleloader seasons are ridiculous. The number of nonresident hunters is small, and restricting their numbers isn't needed.
2359	Make it harder to get doe tags
2360	This has to do with rifle season. Do away with any deer draw and make hunters choose between whitetail and mule deer hunts.

2361	<p>I suggest an archery draw for all units, for resident and non-resident. I am a non-resident who avidly hunted ER archery whitetail while I lived in SD for 18 yrs. Those were the days! Now everybody and their brother is an archery hunter. SD farmers were so gracious in permitting me to hunt. Now there are so many hunters that a lot of landowners are charging for archery hunting access. I don't blame them. Too many hunters in the field. My trail cam was vandalized (broken) 2 yrs. ago on private land by trespassing hunters. I walked into my stand in the dark 2 yrs. ago on private land. A trespasser was in my stand. I lost a 200 acre private piece I've hunted for 30 yrs. because a guy offered the landowner \$2000 to hunt it during archery season. I can't compete with that! I have no problem whatsoever accepting when I don't get drawn. I didn't get drawn in the lottery here in CO in 2021 or this year. I just look at it as it makes for fewer hunters in the woods and less pressure on the game animals.</p>
2362	<p>I know as a non-resident my input probably won't matter or change much. The main issue I have is non-residents have to put in by\april 1 to hunt public land. I think if you want to know how many non-residents are going to hunt ublic land we should have at least to June 1.</p>
2363	<p>As a non resident that hunts your state multiple times a year (primarily archery mule deer) I feel the current season structure has helped with the overcrowding issues. \Now a nonresident must make a commitment to hunt SD prior to many other western applications not being open for 1 to 3 months yet. \I personally welcomed that change. However what the SD Bowhunters association is trying to do in regards to nonresident license allocation (8% for a archery tag?) Is somewhat baseless in fact. \I have gained 8 points to draw one of 8 tags in a west river unit for a rifle tag and am fine with it.\If the same circumstances were true for a archery tag it wouldn't be worth the effort. \Adding to that it would force overcrowding by forcing dedicated hunters to compete for the better habitat area's eroding the current option to access hundreds of thousands of acres of the public land we all own. \Nonresident hunter's take around 500 mule deer per year with resident hunters slightly above. \With the health of the different regional deer herds I've targeted in western SD I feel that is a sustainable harvest level. I'm no biologist but year after year I return to these area's and the mule deer are always healthy. \South Dakota has so many amazing public places you can walk in a day and never see another person. \For those who say otherwise I say get out of your truck and actually hunt!\That's my two cents on the topic and probably more!</p>
2364	<p>I feel that there should be a percentage of non resident whitetail only licenses, or nonresident any deer private land only licenses.</p>
2365	<p>I don't think that unlimited out of state hunters should be able to hunt our resources. There should be a lottery system for them. As far as black hills licenses, out of state hunters shouldn't be able to apply for licenses since there isn't enough offered for all the hunters in our state to draw every year. It is hard to pass on family traditions of hunting if my kids cant ever get a tag.</p>
2366	<p>Its hard to archery hunt when no farmers will let you hunt cause they want everything to themselves (for the most part). Also there should be more archery only ground! When pheasant season comes along you can kiss killing a nice buck goodbye and when rifle season starts people are inconsiderate to others and will blast away in your direction cause they only shoot a gun 1 time a year and don't care about what's behind the animal they are shooting at. I'd love to see more public land that is archery hunting only.</p>
2367	<p>Close public lands to non residents through November 1 for archery hunting. Also restrict the use of more and more modern equipment. Itâ€™s archery hunting. Not target shooting. Part of the hunt is to close the distance. Modern bows and sights take much of the skill away making it much easier to hunt without real practice or skill.</p>
2368	<p>I believe that non-resident tags should be limited to a number far fewer than the number that are being purchased currently. Those tags should also be designated for specific units/regions. Our deer numbers, apparently, do not currently support resident hunters being drawn for tags frequently enough to continue to allow this number of non-residents to purchase unlimited tags.</p>

2369	Would love to see it stay like it is, but understand changes may need to be made with increased hunting pressure. South Dakota has some nice deer hunting and needs to manage it in order to keep it that way. I love being able to get an archery license every year as a non-resident, but also understand that long term that might not be good for the state.
2370	I think that archery season for non-residents should start at the same time, or maybe only one week later than resident season (Sep 1st). I just came back from scouting trip of 4 days in units 45B and 13A and I did not encounter any local hunter in these units. I also saw more deer (mostly whitetail) than ever in my early archery season hunts last 7-8 years. \seems like coyote population is drastically reduced from all the years I can remember. \Perhaps two whitetail doe tags should be available to archery hunters. #####
2371	Do not include out of state students as residents. They should have to live in SD for one year after graduation to apply for resident licenses.
2372	Protect the mule deer
2373	I would prefer non residents donâ€™t even get to hunt here
2374	I think South Dakota is very blessed in the ability for hunters to have access to incredible archery hunting opportunity. It is challenging as other states are becoming more and more restrictive for nonresidents. Part of that makes me want to be selfish and vouch for less nonresident access however I think that is bad for hunting in general. I personally have benefitted from the robust nonresident access by having the ability of family or friends to come from out of state and go on hunts with me. I like the earlier nonresident deadline for public land. Removes our state as being everyoneâ€™s backup plan and causing overcrowding from that. It is a destination hunt for nonresident archers and should be treated as such. \\ I donâ€™t think people need opportunity for east and west river archery deer and west and east river rifle deer. That gets to be a little excessive. Would like people to be limited to one statewide archery tag.
2375	Cater to the residents of this state. Don't be so money hungry.
2376	Stop catering to the out of state hunters just because they pay more money. You've degraded the level of hunting for your locals by allowing all of those from out of state who come here just to kill and not care about the land. They over price everybody who is loyal to our state and our wildlife.
2377	Donâ€™t restrict or limit residents hunting options anymore than they already are.
2378	I have hunting by custer I see very few other archery hunters. The ones I do come in contact are friendly and courteous. It is a high quality hunt....to me and my hunting crew it is about the hunt and family,fellowship and not the kill. I thank south Dakota for the opportunity to have the experience to enjoy the hunt.
2379	The reason more hunters are getting archery license is it way to hard to get a rifle license.\Never did you EVER have to buy preference points to get a rifle tag. In my opinion we are making hunting a rich mans sport. I get really tired of watching out of county hunters hunt in the county I pay taxes in. Not sure why local tax payerâ€™s canâ€™t draw a rifle license but out of county sure can. Landowners first local county second leftover to outside county. It really is that simple if itâ€™s not about the money?
2380	It is not fare to nonresident that donâ€™t know anyone with land to hunt that the residents can hunt the public land a month earlier
2381	I'm sure a lot of archery hunters do not kill as many deer as people think, its not that easy.

2382	As a resident who primarily archery hunts mule deer and whitetail, with an emphasis on mule deer, it is my opinion to keep resident opportunities the same as the current policy states. This aligns with many of our neighboring states. I would be interested in seeing a cap on non resident opportunities, but feel that decision needs be backed by the appropriate research. That could be a mixture of the provided options within this survey. \\I do see crowing on public lands, and I do see a lot of that crowding in early October. I understand I have a month advantage on those other hunters, but I still have to compete with other resident hunters enjoying those public lands as well. \\I understand this will be a mixture of a lot of opinions, but I would ultimately like to understand how the wildlife biology impacts these decisions. I will gladly forfeit opportunities as a resident for the betterment of the species. If our combination of overcrowding, drought like conditions, species disease, and other impacts are negatively affecting population densities, Iâ€™m in favor of instituting changes for those reasons. \\This needs to be a well thought out and unfolded process. I appreciate the departments attention to this. I think our decisions need to be made through science and biology, with the notion of public opinion, but not made because people are upset they have to handle other hunters afield.
2383	Too many rifle licenses are issued.
2384	Landowners do NOT need 5 or 8 or as many tags as they want while the rest of us have to draw. We live here too and we eat them. Landowners just shoot them for fun and don't even eat them for the most part. My husband has a hard Time drawing a tag and sometimes doesn't get one. It is a bunch of crap Landowners get a ton of them when other people don't even get one. AFTER everyone gets one then the leftovers should be divided up equally for a draw.
2385	i do not hunt archery .
2386	Keep the system the same. Limit nonresident archery license. Make a draw system for nonresident archery hunters.
2387	Cut non resident tags and put more land into CRP and plant more trees
2388	no coment
2389	My opinion is that nonresidents should have a limited number of archery tags on a draw system. I also think there should a limited number of archery mule deer tags for nonresidents. The price for nonresident tags needs to be increased.
2390	I feel SD has already limited the number of archery hunters by having to apply for state land archery before you even know if you drew a rifle tag or not.
2391	I think with hunting number the concern lies with the Mule deer population. I believe a solution to this without mass restructuring of tags is to move rifle any deer seasons to Oct 1st-15th like many other western states
2392	The non resident land owner tag options are nice but the amount of congruent land is too much. For instance my family owns 800 acres but itâ€™s in 3 areas of the unit. My cousins give me hunting rights on their land that was also my grandfatherâ€™s that fills the void between our land groupings. This should be revised.
2393	The State of South Dakota caters to out of state hunters. It's sad that people who live and pay taxes here are the ones that get crapped on. It's sad that hunting has become so commercial and all about the dollar.
2394	As a MN resident I come to SD to chase west river mulies without having to travel further west. I saw some amazing mule bucks in the Custer park. I think itâ€™s wise to have limited draws on places like that. And as long the people of SD are happy having us come out to chase their deer I say keep doing what youâ€™re doing.
2395	While there are a number of tags available for archery the success rate is not that high and i believe this is working as is
2396	Please do not change the structure. I personally hunt deer on public ground and the current structure creates my only opportunity to hunt mule deer.
2397	Your new format to buy a deer license sucks!\\Last years was less complicated and much easier.

2398	Allow non-resident hunters to have same public hunting opportunities as residents. The deer are all scared off the public ground by the time Oct. 1st comes around. The residents could have a week extra like pheasant hunting, but a month is ridiculous. I've been on fence last couple years about not buying a license due to that. We'll see if I see deer this year and determine if I buy one next year. I just think for paying 10 times the amount of a resident license I should have the same privileges.
2399	I would like to see our rules and regulations for nonresident archery hunters simplified and reflective of those set forth for resident archery hunters. If a hunter happens to be in South Dakota during archery season and they want to purchase an archery tag, and hunt on public ground, then they should be able to do it that day.
2400	Set a non/res mule deer quota/cap \\They use us as a leftover option when they don't draw their more coveted western tags.
2401	You can buy as many tags as you want the hours put into archery are immense and people need more practice every tag gives them an opportunity and a reason to stay outdoors. You have to get so close and have the right amount of skill or luck to even get a doe so personally let them buy as many as they want wherever they want cause they probably won't get more then 2 anyway.
2402	There are more archery hunters because you made it impossible for many individuals to ever draw a rifle tag. Change the rifle draw back to getting preference points automatically and give people a chance at tags rather than catering to paid hunting and private ranchers.
2403	I think this is silly, make non resident a drawing and leave your residents alone for once. I'd like to see the results of this posted as well. Sure you guys have your mind made up already.
2404	Hunters are portraying as Pheasant hunters making drives in Public lands.. they are carrying shotguns in thick brush, driving deer to a bow hunter on end of wooded areas.. see this often last 2seasons.. that & driving vehicles way past parking areas to dothis.. Long lake area in Codington Co.
2405	Deer hunting is great in South Dakota. I tagged out on day three in the season. I would keep it the same.
2406	Wish public area deer archery was over the counter instead of early deadline
2407	There is a small number of our of state archery hunters. Not allowing access to public land during the month of September really sucks and the previous impact had to be very minimal. I am a former resident and most of my family still are state residents. I have hunted South Dakota for 35 years. Doesn't make sense that you would regulate non-residents to only be able to hunt private land until the month of October for archery deer. Grow the sport and generate revenue but restrict those of us coming to the state and bringing new revenue... doesn't make sense. The same residents lobbying for this change are planning their out of state trips to spend their money elsewhere.
2408	I feel the amount of hunters, tags and access seems to work fine. The GFP website however, is absolutely cumbersome on a good day. This needs work. It takes more time to figure out just what tags (non-resident landowner) I can actually apply for, which areas and so forth.\\ REPEAT, your online permitting process needs work.
2409	It is more of a hunt to do it with a bow!!! Any and everyone that spends a little time scouting could get their deer with a rifle. It is very easy nowadays with rifles and scopes. People complain about archery because it goes out first but it is earned. First week of rifle season is down right scary orange everywhere and people shooting the same deer at sunup. Cars and trucks all over the place racing around with their eyes anywhere but the road. That is what needs to be addressed. Get off their ##### and get out of the vehicle. The tag will get filled then.
2410	There is plenty of deer in the area I hunt. I feel you need to sell just doe tags for meat hunters.\\Also make the hunters check in there deer online to keep track of deer harvested. Also, there are tons of turkeys. Why not sell fall turkey tags.
2411	Make the non resident and draw system if the numbers get to high
2412	One of the things I like about archery deer hunting is the ability to go anywhere statewide to hunt deer if desired. I would like to keep the system of over the counter licensing for residents. If any restrictions should be made it should be on the non resident. Several other neighboring states make it very difficult to draw some tags. In my opinion we should be returning the same favor to them with all licenses.

2413	Nothing should change, the current system is just fine.
2414	I depend on archery tags to feed my family, and is lot of the time I spend with my children outdoors is due to scouting trail cams blind setup ect
2415	I am happy with the way things are right now.
2416	Being a non-resident whitetail hunter I am not seeing non -resident hunters over hunting public lands but canâ€™t speak about mule deer west river!! Been hunting east river for many yrs sure hope SDGF donâ€™t restrict non resident licenses or raise the price so canâ€™t afford to buy a license.Think you guys do a great job!!
2417	I think it's difficult to hunt archery on public lands sometimes because some folks think it's their private area. I also think that water district lands such as Grabt Robert's owned land should be opened up to the public. Right now it's a glorified private club under tax exempt privileges.
2418	There needs to be a discussion of mountain lion population, not human hunter density. \\TOO MANY CATS IN SPECIFIC AREAS IN BLACK HILLS.
2419	Leave the archery licensing system just the way it is now, no need for change.
2420	What are the success rates of residential vs nonresidential would be helpful to know.
2421	I have heard of archery hunters having 3 or 4 tags they can fill in a given year. That is too many. \ know it is harder to get close to deer to use a bow, but the length of the season also needs to be looked at. \The other thing I would like addressed, but I have no insight on how to do it, is the number of deer injured by an arrow, but not found. We find skeletons with arrows in them every year walking sloughs for pheasants during the December/January part of the season. I do not know if this is because they didn't try to track the animal, they said "its just a doe," or if they honestly couldn't find the animal they shot.
2422	You must let all non-residents hunt on FEDERAL PUBLIC LAND with no license quotas or dates. I don't know how you can restrict non-residents from FEDERAL PUBLIC LAND, land that we as non-residents help pay for. If you want to restrict non-residents on STATE OWNED PUBLIC LAND that's up to you because I don't pay taxes in SD however I have hunted the same public land for over 45 years and then I come to find out a couple years ago I could not bow hunt on that land any more then you snookered everything up when you went to a new computer license system and I come to find out you have a limited number of non-resident bow tags that can be used on public land. Any restrictions to public land hunting for non-residents should be curtailed ASAP. Non-residents only hunt a limited number of days but residents have the extra time to hunt and they don't have to drive 1500 miles like i do to hunt for a few days out of the year. I can't just drive down the road and hunt after work and weekends, etc,. like residents can. Then they complain because a non-resident "took their spot". A bunch of whiners.
2423	private land only tags need no added measures as it is self controlling, if you own land you schould be able to hunt it, and or if you have access to private thru permission from the land owner.
2424	I love my SD hunt in late October
2425	I think that if the herd will allow more hunting then do it. Biologists should be the determining factornot hunters.
2426	I think you should make it a true over the counter for both public and private, and open the non resident season to the same as resident. \The changes the state made a few years ago were terrible. \\South Dakota in general is far behind other states when it comes to licensing, and hunting regulations. Your systems are difficult to use and confusing and Iâ€™ve had to call in multiple times this year alone to have things explained. \Iâ€™ve hunted and fished 14 different states and three different countries and your system is one of the worsts Iâ€™ve used.
2427	Moved to SD from Nebraska. In Ne you could purchase an archery deer permit for either a doe or buck. If you shot a doe you could then purchase another either or permit. Canâ€™t do that here. Miss that.

2428	As a nonresident who hunts only public land i feel the October 1 season opener puts more nonresident pressure on public lands in a more condensed manner. Most nonresident hunters i am in contact with feel the same. Most of us are battling time away from family and work. And if we try to make multiple trips out to hunt our time "off" is often condensed in a 6 week period since the October 1 opening date. I understand residents often feel the opposite. Would love to find the happy medium. To be honest the resident hunters i come in contact with often act as sportsman when i run into them in the field. The private landowners have given me the hardest time when i encounter them on public land.
2429	Archery deer season should begin October 1st, not September 1st. Also all rifle seasons should begin December 1st. The current rifle season begins too early allowing many of the best breeding bucks to be killed prior to rutting, this is damaging the herd genetics by allowing lesser quality bucks to rut the does.
2430	Residents should always get rifle tag for deer
2431	I applied for a ER archery license September 6th and nothing was available. Are there that many deer taken by archery hunters or that few deer that they are sold out that early?
2432	It's working well how it is set up. Everyone can get a tag if they want. No reason to change that. I feel freedoms would be stripped if we go backwards on limiting archery tags
2433	Non resident firearm tags in each area maybe 1%-2% of total tags? I hunt 100% private land that has been in my family for about 80 years. I pay real-estate taxes and spend every available weekend and holidays improving habitat out of my pocket yet a truck driver that lives in his truck but has a Sioux falls address can apply.
2434	i would like to see 2 archery seasons. season one could be sept 1st to nov 1st. season 2 could be nov 1st through jan. 1st splits the hunters up a little, and eases the hunter pressure
2435	Everything is working fine. Don't mess it up. As the other states get out of hand restricting people and hunting access, this will continue to up the demand in SD. Work on adding more Walk ins etc rather than scare people away with confusing regulations and draws. Also, require hunters to give more data upon harvest so that you have better information, it seems silly to miss an opportunity to collect good intel immediately upon harvest. Another idea, school trust lands should open to public hunting. 90% are leased out by ranchers who would give 0 and still pay the same rate.
2436	I am in favor of reducing mule deer resident and nonresident permits in order to ensure a healthy mule deer population. I am also in favor of paying more for my permit.
2437	Feel the State should up the price for non-resident archery. Limit deer tags to buck only and have more antlerless tags for non-resident's. This will still bring business to SD from out of state and give non-residents while hunting for antlerless time to scout areas for next year if they draw a buck tag.
2438	As a nonresident I like it just as is.
2439	I don't know if I will hunt in South Dakota again as I like early season and can't hunt public until October. This really wasn't a problem as I hunted private property but rancher has leased it out so can't hunt there anymore.
2440	I was born and raised in SD. I entered the service out of high school and retired in another state so when I came back to hunt with relatives and friends I had to hunt as a nonresident until a couple years ago when I became a resident again. I appreciated the opportunity to hunt as a nonresident and when I was unsuccessful on firearms licenses I purchased a nonresident archery permit so we could still hunt together. It worked out well for us so the annual tradition stayed intact. Changing that would hurt future uses like that.
2441	Would be nice if the non-resident archery hunter was able to get part of September back. Right now the non-resident hunters are maybe 1 week to hunt public land and deal with other seasons. Waiting until October means we have to work around resident pheasant opener and youth antlerless.
2442	I hunt only one area of private land a few days per season and really don't have interaction with other hunters.

2443	I think having the guarantee to get a tag every year is amazing, but if you draw a rifle buck tag I don't think you should be able to get an archery buck tag. Here in the black hills I feel the quality of bucks have declined due to having the option of to many tags. Mule deer bucks have declined significantly from what I see. I archery hunt almost every year and I keep seeing less and less quality bucks. I do think it needs regulated more. I'm ok with not hunting every year as long as I get a better chance at a nicer deer.
2444	I enjoy the way the system is currently set up, and believe it is more profitable for conservation. I personally buy a east and west river tag every year and only fill one of my tags, most of my friend do the same. I like to go west river deer hunting early season, while still having my east river tag to hunt back home during the rut. Since the draw changed for rifle, I only draw a tag every couple years and archery is the only thing we have left... please don't limit this for us too. Thank you.
2445	Although there are a fair number of Archery hunters on public land, if your willing to put in the work you can still harvest deer without to much trouble. As for the private land side of things in my option that is not an issue.
2446	restrict number of licenses to one archery per person per year state wide\and only be allowed to draw one firearms licenses per year
2447	I am not a bow hunter, but I do have concern about increased number of hunters going after a limited resource. While most non-residents may hunt private lands, the deer do not differentiate between private and public lands. If SD deer are evenly distributed, then most will be in private land, as most of SD deer habitat is on private land.
2448	I do t think things should change for resident hunters but there should be a limited number of non-resident tags given out.
2449	Too many of our opportunities are being g commercialized for non residents many of which are poor stewards of our resources prime example is fishing I see countless non-residents bag overlimits and undersized fish without regard for the resources
2450	I hunt deer or big game in other states and the license fees are through the roof expensive. Raise the price for nonresident licenses to cover more costs abd get better habitat funding
2451	Deer in this state are to the level of vermin and anything that increases the number of harvested deer is a good thing.
2452	I'm a nonresident. For the entirety of the seasons I've archery hunted the average is 5 days. Out of the 3 archery tags I've purchased, I've tagged one deer (public land). It takes me about 2-3 years to draw a WR firearm tag. I think SDGFP does a great job in the face of EHD and guide/outfitter pressure.
2453	This has been said many times but gets no attention. If the Gov and her friends keep pushing for quantity and the almighty dollar over quality and the residents of SD (which she is supposed to represent) then we will eventually lose everything and will have turned SD from a hunting paradise to a commercialized cluster #####!
2454	As an archery hunter with a disability I believe there is no reason to change any resident regulation. I do believe that due to the somewhat limited number deer of all species in our state that the number of non-resident tags should be limited. I also believe that land owners and their families should receive at least one free any deer tag as a thank you for providing cover and food for our deer. Without them and their conservation efforts we would not have the quality of hunting in our state that we have.
2455	Mule deer in SD are a limited resource. Allowing unlimited numbers of hunters, both non resident and residents, is NOT managing that resource. Also, managing them the same in all units has no basis. Not all units are the same and change from year to year. It's time to get some real management in place.
2456	You are doing a good job
2457	Mule deer archery tags need to be limited state wide with a draw system. White-tail tags can be unlimited with the option of statewide or westriver/east river.
2458	WE need more public land because land owner will NOT let you hunt. Most are farmers or Ranchers and they complain about the deer eating ther crops .

2459	So many friends and family, are mad that they cant obtain a lic , but out of stater's get there's. It's a long time in between hunts for SD hunters? Just what I was hearing.. I know I went for bow lic because couldnt draw a deer tag for rifle to save the day? I have not had a rifle buck lic for years , just quit putting in for them . Just hearsay and my opnion.
2460	With only 2,700 nonresident and 5,200 resident archery licenses sold annually the past few years, if SD wants to make rule changes that truly have an impact on deer populations they need to take a closer look at rifle hunter numbers and the harvest and pressure there rather than focusing on the minimal hunting pressure from archery.
2461	Archery is not the problem. Archery hunters maintain fair chase. It is rifle hunters that are the issue. I believe we should be limiting them.
2462	Please restrict archery Mule deer hunters across the board both Resident and Non-Resident and in the least make a minimum of 4 point (per side) or better restriction for both archery and rifle hunters. Remove all Mule deer doe licenses for the next 5-10 years to help bring populations back to what they once were in Western SD.
2463	I donâ€™t think much should be changed in terms of license availability for residents. While more people are purchasing archery licenses the majority of those licenses are used a minimal amount of times and usually the first few weeks of the season. I definitely do not agree with limiting more public land access any more than the current units already are.\For non residents I would not be opposed to making it more limited on the number of hunters especially for mule deer. Whitetails could probably stay the same but the mule deer are pressured heavily by out of state folks. While I completely agree non residents are important to our economy for hunting and fishing, we as residents choose to live here for the opportunity SD provides us in the outdoors. If mule deer archery had a similar structure to the waterfowl system I think that would be very beneficial.
2464	I've only hunted harding country and I've had no good things to say. There is state land in the middle of private land and the only road to get to these places has no trespassing signs, violator's will be shot signs, or gated shut. Why is that? I actually called the land owner and he told me I could not go hunt this state land because they do guided hunts on their property. GFP should really be looking into these areas and making it easier for me a resident to hunt these public places. I'm from Watertown so traveling out that far and to deal with that is very frustrating.
2465	I guess for you guys to change this, you should try to get info on who is actually successful in filling the tag. Not how many are being sold. Archery is tough. Id bet half those tags donâ€™t get filled I know mine donâ€™t always get filled
2466	The current plan in place is working just fine no need to mess up a good thing
2467	I would like to see archery licenses put in with rifle licenses in limited draw. Archery hunters would then have to make a choice to archery hunt as their first choice or rifle hunt.
2468	Forcing a non resident to purchase an archery license in April if they wish to hunt public land is too early. In my case I'm applying for the rifle tags in SD and other states and am unable to plan my fall hunts effectively due to many of the fall lotteries not being held before April. This has caused me to miss out on opportunities to hunt and feel that the recent changes towards non resident archery hunters is unfair and unrealistic.
2469	Limit non resident hunters to private land only and limit them to one percent resident hunters numbers from previous year.Limit resident numbers also,and allow very few numbers on public lands.Also donâ€™t allow any tree stands or ground blinds on public land.The wildlife in this state are under way too much hunting pressure, the land owners have all but ruined the wildlife habitat in the last 20 years, and the state has promoted are fishing and hunting to out of state people at the expense of the health of are wildlife.The resident hunters and fishermen in our state have gotten tired of all the greed of land owners getting their way on all wildlife issues especially the last 20 plus years You are loosing resident hunters by the thousands and you wonder why!!
2470	Please do not limit license availability for residents, non residents should be limited first if tags have to be reduced

2471	I would like to keep the current archery tags the way they are. There needs to be a cap on non resident archery tags, or none at all. The last 3 or 4 years west river has been tough for mule deer. There's not very many mature mule deer and way to many people hunting. Mostly non resident people. Its getting harder and harder every year, between not having many deer to go after and all the people out there hunting. The deer population doesn't do so good when there's residents hunting and have unlimited tags for nonresidents.
2472	As a nonresident I like having the ability to hunt in South Dakota. The last year I hunted (2020) there were way too many people where I was. I would rather draw every 2-3 years and have a quality hunt than draw every year and see a lot of hunters. But residents may disagree and I respect that (opportunity&quality), that is my perspective as a nonresident hunter.
2473	I would like to see more areas for just archery hunters only. I truly believed our mule deer population is suffering from the heavy hunting both from archery and rifle.
2474	Non-resident consideration should not be applied to PRIVATE land. I don't care if my neighbor wants to hunt my land, it's my PRIVATE land. I want my family to be able to enjoy hunting here. The cost of the license is already stupid. Why should it cost double to harvest a doe from an over populated herd just because you live across a state line when you only hunt private property! I had 9 does in my yard last night. I can harvest 1. No habitat can sustain that percentage of yearly growth. Guarantee my brother a tag for my own property and it doubles the harvest rate, increases deer herd health, and costs the State nothing in return. It doubles profit for an animal the State had zero investment in. Pretty good scam if ya ask me. I pay for my own land. Maybe ALL public land should require a fee to hunt it. The state has an interest and investment in those animals at least. I'd be happy if you tripled non resident public land fees for license and access. There needs to be a non resident private land tag in my opinion. Even at the resident rate it's still 100% profit and economy boost.
2475	The nonresident harvest rate doesn't account for the increase in resident harvest rate. Especially the residents that don't register their harvest. More data should be required before making another decision. Mandatory harvest registration should be required. This would provide the state with more data instead of making rash decisions based on incomplete facts. It seems like the state does this too often. After the state restricted non resident hunting on public lands in September, this cut a ton of money from coming into small town hotels
2476	The new limitations put on SD rifle deer hunters has taken hunting opportunities away from my children and I. The archery season is our one and only guarantee for an antlered tag and way we can hunt together. I would be greatly disappointed if our access to these tags was reduced in any way. Archery is still the hardest way to harvest a deer, but my son and daughter took up the sport in their early teens just for the opportunities for us to hunt together every year. I am proud of the efforts they have put into the sport and the success they have seen. My older two kids have gone onto be national qualifier in the NASP school program at Tri-Valley School. No matter how good the bows become, you still need to put yourself within archery range to take a quality archery shot. This is very hard to do with any bow in your hand. As I often say, homemade bow or high tech compound, it's still harvesting a deer with a string and sharp stick. Please don't limit our license available here!
2477	Do not allow nonresident hunters to hunt on public land in South Dakota. Force them to hunt private land. This will solve a lot of problems and generate a lot of money coming into the state.
2478	South Dakota does receive a lot of hunter attention due to the unlimited availability of OTC archery licenses by non residents. Archers that are looking for a "Western" hunting experience without the high cost of Wyoming, Montana or Colorado do like to hunt South Dakota due the the relatives low license cost and guaranteed license draw.
2479	Would like to see a unlimited state wide archery whitetail tag but do a limited draw archery mule deer tag. The amount of archery mule deer hunters targeting the Black Hills, Harding County and along the river in Sully County has gotten out of hand.
2480	I would suggest limiting archery deer licenses to any deer or antlerless deer got both mule deer and whitetail. I would also suggest setting a slight price for a landowner permit (say \$5 or \$10). Also, I think there should be better monitoring of treestands left on public lands during the off-season. I have come across too many stands left up which limited available areas so safely and effectively hunt. Also, hunting etiquette needs to be improved as well (i.e. people setting up stands too close to already established). Thank you

2481	Price increases for both resident and non resident \Limit the amount of overall deer tags residents can draw \Make the archery application period shorter\Choose between whitetail and mule deer
2482	You can always find a place to go often with little competition from other resident archery hunters. Avoid opening weekend and everything opens up
2483	Be sure walk in lands and any private owned lands leased are acceptable enough to support wildlife. So much of these lands are not suitable to hold wildlife.
2484	I've never had a problem with other archers. The problem is with PHEASANT HUNTERS, esp. from Minnesota, and with RIFLE DEER HUNTERS. They are all too noisy and stinky for good archery hunting so I pretty much give up archery on public in SD once the Resident Pheasant season starts. Waterfowlers are no problem as they tend to stick to their water holes. I've hunted other states as a nonresident that have dedicated archery areas. This is mostly due to safety considerations rather than management but it got me into archery, which really rejuvenated my love of deer hunting, which was turning more into harvesting than hunting with a dialed in 270.
2485	Address using crossbows during archery season & not just for a medical reason. Older hunters sometimes struggle with a compound bow but would like to archery hunt & crossbow usage would be helpful.
2486	There is no reason that we need to have so many different season options. 75% of the hunters out there give their meat away or do not eat it anyway. Keep all options on the table, but limit the number of rifle hunters tag allocations. Do people really need that many rifle and archery tags per year. ONE archery and ONE rifle is plenty.
2487	Nonresidential hunters should have a period that is only archery resident where they can hunt. Nonresident should have a shorter season and not as many licensed hunters. Seem to be all o er public land and increasing yearly
2488	We as hunters need to make sure we spread out on the available land and not over hunt certain areas. Dividing the state into 4 hunting areas verses 2 would better control where us as hunters are expecting to be targeting our hunting trips.
2489	Nonresidents should be able to hunt national forest land starting September 1 as well as residents.
2490	N/A
2491	Turner county needs more licenses or atleast bring back muzzleloader to turner county. Have seen a huge rise in the population of white tail deer
2492	Would prefer the option as a non resident hunter to access PUBLIC LANDS during the early season. How bout an early archery non resident tag good from Sept 1 - Oct 1? Then the regular archery tag for the remainder of the season. Make it a draw? Another idea is adding a antlerless tag to the regular archery tag. Opportunity to take an additional antlerless deer?
2493	The fact that non residents canâ€™t hunt PUBLIC land during the first month of the season is ridiculous. I wish all other states would close parts of their season to South Dakota residents only. Public land is public land for everyone.
2494	Only saw a couple archery hunters while I was there. It was very nice. Saw more game last year then other other years.
2495	As a non resident east river archery hunter it would be nice to get a doe tag with your any deer tag. The farm I hunt is over run with does and I feel like I can't help the farmer out! Other than that I LOVE SOUTH DAKOTA!
2496	I think if you reduce the number of non resident tags that would be fine, but if you raise the price of the non resident tags, a lot of people from east and south of South Dakota will drive right through and go farther west to hunt .
2497	The early deadline for non-resident public land archery licenses makes hunt planning very difficult. Please consider eliminating this early deadline.
2498	Limit the number of non-resident tags and limit residents so they may only acquire one archery tag in a year.
2499	Donâ€™t like the out of state hunting

2500	Filling a archery tag is not a easy task. So if GFP change it you are going to make young hunter and old lose interest in the hunting experience altogether. If you want the youth to take interest in the sport of archery you need to leave the system in place. Quit making hunting all about money. That what this is really about. So stop it. Leave south Dakota alone so all people can afford to hunt not just the people who have the big money.
2501	Allow non-residents the ability to hunt on public land during the same season timeframes as residents. Excluding NR for the 1st month of season seems a little excessive.
2502	limit or discontinue nonresident hunters, let all resident hunters receive licenses that want one before any nonresident hunters.
2503	We in sd have the option to obtain way to many deer tags. Montana and Wyoming only get 1 buck tag typically unless you get doe tags for certification areas. We don't need ppl getting 8+ deer tags. If you have a lucky year. Maybe limit tags to 2 or max of 3 tags. No need to harvest 8+
2504	To many Nonresident tags
2505	Beautiful state to hunt in. I am a 44 year old hunter. I have rifle hunted and bow hunted black hills. Absolutely love it. Now I am bringing my kids to SD to start hunting whitetail!
2506	I hunt Black Hills with a rifle. I have not hinted in last 2 years. Don't have the strength to pull a bow sohavenot bow hunted.
2507	Our current rifle season runs through the peak of the rut and is quite long. If archery interest is growing so quickly, perhaps shorten the rifle season to reduce hunter numbers on public land during the peak activity of daytime movement (rut) when hunters want to be out. Alternatively, give rifle hunters "shoulder seasons" late October, early December and give archery hunters the advantage of less pressure in the woods during rut. \If the goal is to not grow archery quite so much, keep the seasons the same. \As long as we are hitting our herd management goals for both whitetail and mule deer statewide, that's what matters - the healthy ecosystem. \Thanks for your time and for reaching out. \I appreciate what you do. \God Bless.\XXXX
2508	Disabled need better access and more ATV use on land for transportation and game retrieve.
2509	It was impossible to find the access application for Good Earth on the web site. I tried many times of the course of 3 months and the access application did not show up, or not in any lnk that was easy to locate.
2510	Archery hunting is a great challenge if done with the legal methods that are already in place. I have yet to harvest what I would consider a mature buck and I believe it's due to pheasant hunting pressure. I'd like to see a limit on out of state hunters coming here for that. I dont care about revenue for a stocked species not native to these lands. I personally have seen no decline in deer populations in the areas I hunt due to archery hunters. I have however seen the results of pheasant hunting pressure on what would be legally obtainable deer. The way I see it, roadkill and pheasant pressure ruin alot of hard work and time in the field. I would say limit the doe tags to Oct 1. No need for kids to be shooting at a momma doe with two or three spotted fawns. That's bad for business. Same as giving landowners free tags. Those deer don't belong to them anymore than they belong to you or me, Yet most people these days won't even let you set foot on "their" land. Deaf ears I'm sure.
2511	Consider a resident/non-resident LANDOWNER archery tag
2512	Being that I hunt on private land, most of this survey is irrelevant to me. I do not see any other archery hunters, but am encouraged that more people are picking up the sport. I hope they are enjoying their time outdoors. \I am fortunate to have private hunting as close to my residence as I do. The public hunting options in SE South Dakota are limited compared to other parts of the state. With the proximity of the the population center of Sioux Falls, I can see the public lands being "crowded." I'm not sure there is an answer for that unless more public land becomes available. I believe changing the license options to be more restrictive will reduce the overall number of hunters instead of spreading out these that take to the field.
2513	More food plots and cover on public lands.
2514	Non residents should have to draw for a limited Archery tag! Maybe they could even have to draw an any deer tag for a unit and then add on an additional fee if they would like to bow hunt an "early season".
2515	Allow crossbows

2516	Keep the licensing the way it is as far as east river, west river, and statewide. Put a limit on non resident archery licenses.
2517	I would like to see mule deer archery tags limited on public lands for non residents. Non resident tags for mule deer could be unlimited for private ground but set the number of non resident archery mule deer tags sold for public land hunting. When hunting archery west of the Missouri River there are equal amounts of residents and non residents of the public and there is to many hunters on the mule deer public ground to not interfere with each other's efforts
2518	As a nonresident I am perfectly fine with having to apply early to hunt public ground. I do think it is completely unfair if I pay nearly \$300 for a nonresident archery tag that I am not allowed to hunt public ground until October. If I apply early and pay my full nonresident license fee it's only fair that I am allowed to hunt public ground in September. I have not bought a nonresident archery license in SD since this rule was changed and will not until September is open for nonresidents. With the success rate of archery hunters being very low on actually killing a deer in the one or two weekends a year they would come to SD restricting them in this way doesn't seem necessary.
2519	With the Non Resided restriction set in the last few years the opportunity to hunt in South Dakota has change, other state have become the alternative for Public land hunters, also, if you are asking these questions i think kill percentages of both species of deer should be included, seem biased based only on numbers of hunters, thank you
2520	Just want more access to west river public lands, being from Brookings County. I also think something should be done about rifle deer licenses in Brookings county. It is extremely difficult to draw an Any deer tag. I'm not sure if this is due to SDSU being in town. As someone who lives in Brookings, I would think it'd be easier to draw a tag every 1-2 years and not have to "compete" with these students who are using the college dorms as their permanent address for residency.
2521	It's my opinion that I should be able to purchase a deer license at the beginning of the archery season, and hunt any legally open season until I fill that tag. This program has been successful in many states.
2522	It is sickening to see non residents able to exploit our state and its resources. Opportunity is far to accessible for the non resident hunter in South Dakota and resident hunters have to suffer from it. Custer National Forest for example should be completely closed to non resident archery hunting. Extreme limits should be placed on non residents for all deer hunting seasons. Limited tag availability as well as a steep price increase for tags.
2523	Residents shouldn't have to keep paying such high prices for any licences hunting and fishing. \Residents should get first draw out of all licences.\Non Residents should be limited to how often they draw a tag. Allowing different non Residents or first time non Residents a chance to hunt in our state. \Eliminate preference points For those Residents/non Residents that don't buy preferences points are typically lower class and would spend more money utilising local businesses than those of the upper class.
2524	If we cut back on anything it should start with out of state tags sold. Limit out of state tags and put a bigger price tag on them, if those hunters want to come here to use our resources bad enough they will pay whatever the license fee is. Archery deer licenses for residents being an automatic is one of the few pleasures we still have left in big game hunting. Archery hunters are more apt to be out because of their love of nature and the outdoors, not to kill anything that moves, let's not start to restrict those that have invested in the sport for the sake of time in nature, that is what is so great about the fall and winter months in SD. If not for that, a lot of us wouldn't stay here through the winter! Thank you for your time.
2525	Minimize number of nonresident tags given.
2526	Remove the April 1st deadline for non resident archery hunters to get an application in to be able to hunt on public grounds.
2527	Out of state Hunters should be greatly limited. Hard enough to get out to hunt a good area when the rich entitled hunters come in and start paying to hunt, pricing it out of reach for most resident hunters. Especially those that are on a limited budget/income. I am a retired Marine GySgt, my income is much less than the 'Doctors and Lawyers' that come over from the Cities I have spoken with out in the field.

2528	I quit hunting public areas because of theft. People need to be courteous around existing hunting stands/trail cams and food plots that neighbor private lands. Every year I run into non residents that "accidentally" cross posted private fence lines
2529	SD is one of the only states where u can't use a cross bow. Why. I believe u are loosing a lot of revenue and pissing off hunters that would love to come and hunt your state but can't
2530	The website needs to be easier to navigate
2531	The super early deadline for Non-resident application for an archery tag on any sort of public ground is a joke. For the price we are charging, let the archery hunters hunt public ground too. Maybe just restrict them from private open to public. Make that a resident archery only perk.
2532	I've archery hunted South Dakota since 2012. In 10 years, I can count on one hand the number of other hunters I've encountered on public land. It doesn't make sense to me to restrict out of state hunters on public land. If it's a sheer number if hunter issue, restrict the tags, create zones. It seems like it is just resident hunters that don't want competition.
2533	I feel that the GFP needs to look at more issues then number of licenses. \Crossbows need to be allowed during archery season.
2534	As a ten year nonresident archery deer hunter, I do not understand the blame that is placed on us for low deer numbers and over crowding. Residents are capable of drawing several deer tags per year which in turn weighs much more on harvest numbers. Along with many tag options, residents can starting a month earlier on public land. In the area we hunt, in the past 8 years we have yet to talk to another nonresident archery deer hunter. Lastly, nonresidents are paying 7 times the tag cost as a resident and pumping money into the local economy through food, hotels, gas etc..
2535	I have been hunting SD archery for 10 years now, west river . Im from Wisconsin. We loved being able to hunt september 1 with the residents. Pushing it back to october 1 for non residents for public land was tough, and then to top it off you have resident youth hunters rifle hunting mule deer doe and prong horn usually opens up around that time. I was almost shot last year due to that. It seems like every few years you handicap non residents more and more. Its hard to hunt deer with a bow when residents are rifle hunting. We love coming to your state and spending money. Honestly before nr got pushed back to oct 1 start date we would never see other hunters while bowhunting. I hope SD doesn't change to a draw archery system for NR. Part of the thing we like the most is tags are easy to come by, affordable and we see deer. Its perfect for the blue collar hunters. Please don't ruin that. If anything maybe limits tags for rifle if you are trying to help the heard. I assume rifle hunters kill way more than archery. The no crossbow thing is awesome too. See you guys in a few weeks.
2536	Cutting out public land archery hunting for non-residents until October 1st is a slap in the face to us faithful, long time / repeat license buyers who used to love hunting the early season in SD. Now we get a only few days to enjoy a "pheasant hunter" free area to hunt. If I didn't have permission from a private landowner to bow hunt, I wouldn't be buying a license.
2537	None
2538	raising prices for non resident archery hunters and start a preference points system for an any deer tag like North Dakota does and gives guarantee white tail tags
2539	I would like to be able to hunt on public land starting September 1st as a non resident. We pay a lot of money for out of state tags and bring revenue to the state of South Dakota so should be allowed to hunt the same as residents.
2540	My observation over the last 9 years here in South Dakota has allowed me to visually see a significant increase in the number of deer overall. More deer need to be harvested through all hunting options (Black Powder, Firearm, and Archery) to keep the deer from overpopulation and acquiring the diseases that come from that. There have been winters here in the East River areas where I personally observed deer in wintering herds numbering from 250 to 600 plus deer in each location. We need to properly manage the deer through hunting to put food on the tables before disease leaves them piled up, and wasting away in the fields. As well as on the side of the roads from automobile impacts.

2541	From what I have observed in Harding County, when the opener was 10/1 for all hunters (both resident and non-resident), there was a non-resident at every pullout. I much prefer the 9/1 start for residents as I believe it improves the hunting experience for both resident and non-resident archer hunters. You are tasked with both managing the resource and hunter numbers. If over harvest is a concern, we must come up with a solution to deal with it. One of the big issues is the ability of modern equipment to shoot accurately out to 50-70 yards on mule deer of which they are susceptible. However, that cat's out of the bag. Put my longbow in their hands and we'll see what happens to the harvest numbers. I would suggest either going to a draw for non-residents based on the numbers provided by SDBI or raising non-resident tag prices as it's called inflation.
2542	The Game Production areas located in Spearfish, SD have too many public visitors who walk their dogs and harass/mess with the hunters in these areas.
2543	Overall I would say most public areas I run into more hunters both resident and NR are along the Missouri River(both east and west sides) and West River. I do believe most NR bow hunters come to the state to first try for a Mule deer over coming to the state for Whitetail.
2544	I would find out more about the amount deer harvested during archery season before limiting the licenses.
2545	I feel that the residents have the month of September to hunt with little to no competition. Last year when we tried to make a trip to Pierre/Wall every spot we stopped at had a non-resident vehicle and is frustrating that the residents only get access during the hardest time of archery season. I know people use SD non-resident tags as back up options when they don't get drawn for a Colorado/Wyoming tag. To me if we are going to lottery non resident migratory bird licenses then there is no way we should have a free for all when it comes to non resident deer tags.
2546	The biggest problem I see is too many rifle hunters. I think you should look at the number of deer taken by bow versus the gun and I think you will see the big picture.
2547	I hunted as a non resident person for 6 years, renting lodging for family etc for 6 weeks supporting small town businesses etc . Finally got fed up with your laws, re: dr letter to get cross bow permit for a 78 year old?, and then feeding deer. I saw the locals feeding deer for 9 months of the year plus they had food plots, hard to compete with that. Go after the guy with 6 apples under his tree stand? really?
2548	Hope you don't limit non resident licenses to hunters that have been hunting your great state for years!
2549	If regional zones are implemented this should only apply to non-residents like in the state of Iowa and there should be a limited amount of non-resident tags per zone/unit, with them being able to build preference points for these zones/units if they don't get drawn. \\Residents should still have the option of buying an East and West river tag that would be valid on either mule deer or whitetails. \\When it comes to mule deer on a statewide level, I believe the tags for non-residents have to be limited and there should be a price increase for those tags as well. If looking at neighboring states, South Dakota is one of the few remaining states where non-residents are able to buy an OTC mule deer tag for a relatively low price. \\As for the current season dates I thoroughly enjoy the September 1st opener with public lands only being open to the residents. \\Also if non residents tags are cut back to a draw system, I believe it would be a good idea to increase the tag price for residents so that we wouldn't lose out on as much money coming into the state from non-residents.\\Thanks GFP for the opportunity to provide some input into the possible changes that are being made!
2550	Too many hunters on public lands
2551	I feel like the the non resident archery deer licenses should have a limited amount and that should be done with a draw similar to our current nonresident waterfowl licenses .. I hunt Harding Co for deer and pronghorn and I would like to see the nonresident licenses cut back a little
2552	I have been bow hunting south Dakota for 8 years and have not seen any other bow hunters. The changes made a couple years ago should be reversed. You have more road killed deer than what bow hunters kill. The number of bow hunters is a drop in bucket.
2553	no comment at this time

2554	If you own land on both sides of the state east and west river why should it be that you could only get one archery tag when the ground is 400 miles away from each other? By taking away the option of two tags you are only limiting the people who hunt private land from being able to hunt on both sides of the state. If anything make them prove they are a landowner and will be hunting private land and have a drawing for the other public land tags.
2555	I believe that there should not be a draw date for non residents to hunt public land. This to me defeats the purpose of calling it public land. I believe you should have to register your deer also.
2556	I hunt archery only in MN (home state) and South Dakota and Iowa. I have had some good hunts pursuing white tails east river. I am glad GFP is looking into this, as the MN DNR is way more reactive than proactive. I spend almost \$500 more dollars for a non-res archery tag in Iowa than I do in SD, I would say you could raise the license cost a little bit and it may reduce the out of state pressure. -XXXX
2557	More non resident turkey tags in the spring
2558	South Dakota has quality deer herds on both the East and West sides of the river. We, as a state, are allowing non resident archers access to this resource at an alarmingly high rate. Please protect our privilege as residents, and keep crossbows and low priced non resident tags to a minimum.
2559	Do not allow any crossbows to be used in any archery seasons whatsoever, feel that is not sporting and is un fair to other hunters that put in the time to practice with a real bow.
2560	Too many non-resident hunters in every SD hunting/fishing aspect (not just archery deer) and not enough public hunting areas/lakes. Non-residents take over lakes during the ice fishing seasons and keep all the fish they can without remorse for sustainable fisheries. They fish lakes until all the fish are gone. Non-residents will kill all hunting/fishing recreation in SD.
2561	I believe that it would be beneficial for nonresidents to have the same public land access dates as residents. There's enough limitations on nonresidents between access, cost, and scouting that they shouldn't be hampered even more by having to wait a month to access public.
2562	The resident numbers are increasing as a result of the state's growth. South Dakotans with a bow deserve a fair chance to hunt the animals in their own state without competition from other states. The out-of-stater looking to hunt South Dakota does so with the idea of shooting an animal with little regard for the population structure. They are here to fill a tag and will do so on a spike buck just to say they shot a buck. Not to say South Dakotans are excluded from this practice, but I have dealt with people from other states more often taking immature deer which hurts the population structure. Removal of does is warranted in some areas, but with the unlimited licensing, it can become detrimental to the population structures as well. Mule deer and pronghorn are struggling within the state. Between drought and winters, the animals are under stress and unlimited hunting is not helping. Obviously, the rifle is much more proficient at killing an animal, but bows of today are reaching unprecedented ability to reach farther ranges and shoot tighter groups and this increases their lethality. Out-of-staters should be welcome to hunt here, but the numbers need to be cut back. The mule deer will not see an increase in population until we see revisions to the archery structure and a few good years of weather. South Dakota is a hunting state, but sadly, this tradition is becoming tainted by money as well. Ranches in the west are opening up their lands to those who will pay. Outfitters and private individuals are coming to our lands in search of trophies. Every single year, they will pay thousands of dollars to come and harvest an animal while most South Dakotans are excluded and pushed to public lands. With that, the public lands become crowded and deer become scarce. The out-of-stater is making hunting a commercial operation. South Dakota makes its money on pheasant hunters. Archery tags will never contest the dollars of the upland bird, but they will be much more detrimental to populations of our big game animals. I do not want to see a complete removal of nonresident tags, but I feel that a cap would be wise. Without being able to review the past purchasing structure for residents, it is tough to decide on a solution there. I find it nice to be able to purchase two archery tags but can see where only one guaranteed statewide tag may help the population structures as well. Restructure the deer and pronghorn drawing. Boost the populations of mule deer and pronghorn. Increase hunter satisfaction. Make South Dakota a fair state to big game hunt again.

2563	Open non-resident public land hunting at the same time as residents (Sept. 1). Public land (especially federal land) should be open at the same time for everyone.
2564	Give non-residents a chance to draw a rifle buck tag.
2565	Possibly make tags for owner/operator.\Cut non-resident tags. \Cut statewide tags, or make the statewide being the only archery tag.\The only thing I don't want to have is not being able to draw an archery tag for multiple years.
2566	Do not allow muzzle loaders during archery season.
2567	Hunting in general in South Dakota has become a rich man's sport. It is no longer "fun." All of the places I used to hunt on private land are now totally closed and have turned into paid game lodges for out of state hunters. Walk in areas are few and far between and are really just desolate... the few good ones are overrun with hunters and the rest are just flat prairie (why would anything live there?!?) Black Hills tags are just too hard to get and there are not enough resident tags to begin with. Sad to see that a South Dakota tradition is disappearing.
2568	I only hunt private property so I do not have much of an opinion on most of the questions. I think non resident land owner tags should be available.
2569	It would be nice if they could open up more private land to public hunting. Public ground is over hunted, I'd rather have smaller amount over a shorter time to share good ground than to have 200 guys go over the same piece of ground, animals aren't stupid, they just move off the public until after hunting season.
2570	If you do decide to drop license numbers you need to give landowners the ability to get some many tags per acre of land owned. Then they can do what they want with them. It needs to be the same for rifle tags as well. More landowners would allow access of they could control who gets the tag. And if you have the landowner tags separate it wouldn't affect the number of tags available for the general tags. Also you would have less people applying for the general tag because they would be applying for the land owner's extra tags.
2571	I like hunting in the Black Hills but I do see a lot of out of state vehicles hunting the same area.
2572	I enjoy being able to bow hunt both east and west river. This allows me to bow hunt not only at home but west river too. There are times I go with to help with elk hunts, rifle hunts, ect. When I go with on the mode hunts I bow hunt while out there, if I weren't allowed to get a tag not sure that I would go. Changing the current system for resident archery hunters to not allow both tags could result in a lot less revenue being dispersed to both sides of the state.
2573	I would leave the analysis of number of hunters to GFP as you have the most knowledge of deer population. I will say that resident hunters should always have preference over out-of-state hunters.
2574	Remove the requirement to apply for an archery permit in April for out of state hunters that want to hunt public land. This should be true over the counter. \Does the archery harvest data change significantly with more license sales? If not, then archery hunting shouldn't be more restricted than it is now. \I understand that residents should have an input, but if their input is based on just not wanting out of state hunters and the harvest data doesn't support that argument, then provide the opportunity to non residents. \With the amount of licenses available to residents, I think non residents could be afforded some more opportunity.
2575	I've been hunting since I was first eligible at 12 years old, that is 40 years. Each year more and more out of state hunters come here and we have less and less private lands to hunt. The out of state hunters pay private land owners for exclusive rights and then they hunt and hunt and hunt the public lands which makes it very hard for residents to find birds. Last year we had a group of out of state hunters start walking a walk in area that we were already walking and came right at us. They have no morals or ethics. They leave their garbage laying all over, don't pick up their shells, are obnoxious, and do not care if they interrupt someone elses hunt. We need fewer non resident hunters, and cut down the amount of time they can hunt.
2576	If its not broke dont fix it.

2577	As a resident, I appreciate the flexibility in being able to bowhunt mule and/or whitetailed deer across the state. I feel the current boom in archery hunting is largely being driven by non-resident hunters. I certainly value nonres contributions to our economy and have friends and family who come from out of state to hunt, but would like to see any restrictions on tag numbers or hunt units applied to nonres initially, given the outsize number of tags/deer harvested by non residents. Ultimately, I would be willing to see more aggressive management of all archery tags if necessary, but think some initial steps to cool the rush of nonresidents who have the accessibility of SD would be a good starting point.
2578	From where I sit things are working fine...please let us know what the issue isthat prompts this survey.....seems like when a survey is donechange follows ..with little info on the reasonsjust be honest with the intent....thanks
2579	I am a non resident and appreciate the opportunity\Please manage the public land density issue through access permits and time slots\Please let the private land owners manage as they see fit\Thank you
2580	Land owners from out of state should be given management tags or be allowed to purchase a license every yr!
2581	<p>I have enjoyed hunting in South Dakota since 1999 or 2000, starting with spring turkey hunting and then archery and firearm deer hunting. I have made some very good friends over those years in the West River region and the Black Hills. I have not hunted in South Dakota since the state banned nonresident archery deer hunting on public lands in the Black Hills in September. That move on your part gave me a very bad feeling - that I was no longer welcome in your state on land that is owned by every citizen in this country. I understand the argument of resident bowhunters - the whole waterhole flap. I bowhunt elk in Montana and Wyoming in September and October. I do not sit waterholes. The rut is on. Bulls are bugling. Hunters have multiple ways to approach bulls beyond sitting waterholes. You do not ban hikers from public lands in September - you shouldn't ban nonresident bowhunters. Your current archery deer season format works just fine. There is absolutely no reason to make any changes. Yes, license buying numbers are up. So what? The numbers you are talking about amounts to a pinch of nothing when those additional numbers of hunters are spread across your expansive landscape. Hunters like to complain, especially resident hunters who believe their ox is getting gored. There is absolutely no need to make any changes to your archery season framework. No matter what season I've hunted - turkeys in spring, archery deer in September or West River or Black Hills rifle deer in November - I have never felt pressure from other hunters. I have run into more game wardens in one day (two - during November rifle deer in BH) than I have other hunters. In my experience, S.D. has very strong whitetail numbers in the BH and West River and very good mule deer numbers in the West River. I would agree mule deer numbers have dropped off in the BH since 1999 or 2000 when I started turkey hunting in the Custer / Hill City areas. However, there is no need to limit archery deer hunters in any region of the state. I do thank SD for making the \$10 youth antlerless whitetail deer tag available to kids. I took my grandson to the Black Hills last fall on the heels of the blizzard and he was able to harvest his first deer at age 14. We had a wonderful hunt and the experiences that he took in throughout the two days went a long way to opening his eyes to the adventures a person can encounter while hunting. We hunted from Deadwood to Jewel Cave so he could see the varying landscapes offered in the Black Hills. He saw sharptails, bighorn sheep on multiple occasions, elk, and of course, deer. He blew a number of stalks on deer before finally shooting a doe fawn towards evening on the second day. He was a very happy young man. We did not run into any other hunters on either day of hunting last fall. You have plenty of room and plenty of deer, not like here in northern Wisconsin where we have predator overload with coyotes, black bears, bobcats and wolves. If you were to do anything, consider increasing your cougar quota. I think your Black Hills mule deer herd would benefit from that move. XXXX</p>
2582	I think the Archery deer should be statewide any deer license and get rid of the West river and East river any deer tag and sell\No any antlerless whitetail tags. Again, I would encourage more bow hunters in the future generation but it would help reduce population of deer and would help encourage more and more bow hunters in the future or a person could do a youth archery antlerless deer tag.
2583	Use the previous years statistics for tag allocation for non-residents and cap it at 8% just like rifle. Also make west river decide on mule deer or whitetail just like rifle so they can apply for a mule deer tag and if they don't get one they can apply in 2nd draw for whitetail and still get their west river tag.

2584	<p>Removing the option for a archery hunter to hunt east and west river in the same season would be foolish. I feel removing the option to hunt state wide could work out in the favor of deer quality. Removing the state wide makes a individual who only plans to buy one tag decide what side of the state to hunt. Maybe that keeps the individual from hunting completely or maybe that makes them purchase both. I purchase both every year, even if I don't know if I can go for sure, but I like the option to go on short notice. I feel this survey is directed toward archery hunters. The state should not cater to rifle hunters. I personally hunt any opportunity I can archery is my passion but rifle and muzzleloader are fun too. When rifle hunting I realize how great the chances are that a hunter will fill their tag. Rifle hunting in recent years has come down to a marksman sport. That's not hunting. I don't see the need to shoot a deer a half mile away. I will mention that you will get a lot more feedback out of rifle hunters telling you to take our east and west river tags from us. Remember most rifle hunters only hunt with a gun, a good number of them do not archery hunt, this is where the term "Weekend Warrior" comes from. Maybe some focus should be on the land owner tag. I feel if a land owner applies for the general tag pool and doesn't draw they should no be eligible for a landowner tag. They are taking the option for someone who does not have land to hunt away so they can't hunt that year. When if the land owner doesn't draw the regular drawing they just go get a landowner tag and get to hunt either way. This is why i say please don't make this all about archery hunting. I do like the access permit even though it keeps me from hunting Custer National Grassland some seasons but when I do get to hunt them I am noticing better deer on those properties. I feel that if you want to know who is doing what as far as filling tags you need to start making people register their deer. This will show that rifle hunters are more successful than archery hunters helping you make a decision on the future of deer quality in South Dakota. Thank you for your time.</p>
2585	<p>The archery season has become a breath of fresh air for my family and I over the last 5 years compared to the over crowded state of any public land during rifle season. The state of the draw structure for rifle seasons has drove us to archery due to our love for hunting and it is a blessing to get the opportunity to get at least one tag every year and keep meat in the freezer. I would really hate to see this change to the way rifle tags have gone before my kids are old enough to enjoy archery season as much as i do. I think when it boils down to it the challenge and skill needed for archery will weed out the hunters that really shouldn't be buying the tags in the first place. I personally don't see an issue with overcrowding during archery season, relish the long season, and hope to continue to do it every year until I am too old to pull back my bow.</p>
2586	<p>More management areas, ie:\-hills \-Missouri River\-east river North\-east river South\-west river</p>
2587	<p>As an out of state hunter, I love and appreciate the opportunity to hunt South Dakota in September for whitetails. All our activities are focused on private lands. We hunt west river, but very south near the NE border. We never seen another hunter while there are plenty of opportunities to hunt. Too many hunters is not an issue for us.</p>
2588	<p>Please allow senior crossbow archery permits I'm 67 years old and would buy a license if a senior could hunt this way. Unsure of pulling back a bow in a tree stand would be safer to sit and aim (with more accuracy) and maintain a better killing potential \Other states allow this for seniors why not South Dakota?</p>
2589	<p>GET RID OF OUT OF STATE TAGS. Write more tickets to those who break the law. Increase fines. Enforce ATV and off-road vehicle laws and write more tickets. I appreciate the men and women of the GFP. You guys have our support.</p>
2590	<p>If you do limit the tag options for non resident hunters you should at least make the season start September 1st instead of October 1st. Also you should allow a limited number of non resident gun and muzzleloader tags for east river.</p>
2591	<p>I think you should give out archery resident landowners tags to those that have 30 acres or more. I live in Smithwick area, we always have whitetail and mule deer on our land. \I feel that hunting licenses have become more political and less about the tradition.</p>
2592	<p>Too many out of state hunters trespass, & litter, for my opinion. I realize you make more money from them, but that's my take on it.</p>

2593	If any regulation changes takes place, make them become active one year later to accommodate hunters who have made plans possibly years in advance, vacations and or days off that cannot be changed on short notice, like the last fiasco on moving the non resident season to begin a month later on such short notice !!!!!
2594	We need better access to blm and school lands west river
2595	I think the DNR needs to be doing a better job keeping track of where and when a deer was harvested. I've heard of too many people harvesting a deer and tagging it but not filling out the survey. Or maybe I'm just uninformed as to how the DNR keeps track of their population densities/harvest rates.
2596	There are getting to be a lot of hunters which really isn't the big issue. The issue is places to hunt have become harder to come by as landowners are not allowing hunts on there land as much as they use to. Which leads to guys paying money or landowners wanting money to hunt on there land. Overall something needs to change as a lot of the public land in eastern parts are very hard to archery hunt
2597	The original petition brought forward to the commission was to limit nonresident archery tags and to increase their price. The department made the promise and has the responsibility and the obligation to address these nonresident issues before even considering limiting residents further. West River South Dakota is getting overrun with pressure from nonresidents. Part of this is our unlimited nonresident archery license allocation combined with the very low prices of our tags. We're already behing the ball limiting non-residents - it's time. Even with limitations and increased prices. We will still be a destination state given our easily accessible public land and close proximity to eastern states. If the department is going to consider limiting residents, they need to make residents chose between a WR vs ER archery tag. Make a hunter chose which side of the state he wants to hunt more and it will greatly self-limit the pressure. Keep the early resident start date - that's one of the best decisions the department has made. But don't limit resident archery units any smaller than chosing between a WR and an ER tag. Thanks
2598	Need to have a draw for non resident archery hunters. Deer and antelope
2599	There are alot of resident hunters that buy a license and never hunt or hunt very little. Guarentee nonresidents all hunt when they get a tag. We have to reduce nonresident tags by increasing the amount \$\$right now its it's too affordable for them especially compared to other states
2600	I am a nonresident landowner, who puts time and money into conservation. The land has been in Family many generations.If South Dakota is about keeping the tradition of hunting there should be some exceptions for nonresident landowner tags. all in all South Dakota has some best hunting and Habitat and always have seen plenty of game and has been great for memories in the field.
2601	I love visiting the Great State of SD for our annual white-tail archery hunt. We hunt private land, stay and dine for a week and love every thing about your state. Please don't limit East River hunts for archers out of state.
2602	I understand that hunter pressure is increasing in the state of South Dakota which should be looked at as a good thing. And to my knowledge that is why non residents cant hunt public until October 1st, to give the residents a chance first. But nation wide the hunting population continues to trend down. I don't think making the state more restrictive is going to help anything out. As a non resident i would love to be able to hunt public land in the beginning of September for velvet deer like North Dakota still allows. I also was never aware that you could buy an east river and west river archery tag. I don't know the statistics about how many hunters are buying both and shooting 2 deer. But that would be one of the first things i cut if deer numbers are trending down and only allow one buck state wide for archery equipment.
2603	Non-resident hunters are one of your states largest revenue.
2604	Increase the non-resident archery deer license.
2605	As a former resident , some state organizations are responsible for limiting nonresident hunters as your season dates imply late openings. Furthermore; private land only tags fir free are a ruse because private land owners have already denied access when their property lines surround the school lands public lands so who wants more tags when we can't hunt?

2606	SD does it right on their public lands. We make the trip from Central MN every year and in addition to the abundant crop lands, it's very nice to have food plots and well maintained hunting spots. I hope we can continue making the trip.
2607	Private land is hard to hunt because guide have lease these lands or owned by guided ranchers business and resident or nonresident has a hard time to secure permission. \I know of ranches we used to hunt but there lands are lease out to high dollars private or guiding leases which force more pressure on public land. \It's a touch battle to manage. I don't know what the answer is. \But I really enjoy being outdoors in SD.
2608	I believe that it should be easy for non-residents to get rifle tags I also believe that landowners should be a have the rights to sell some tags to nonresident hunters especially for people like me that are feeding 200+ deer on my farm
2609	Along with licenses sold, you need to also post the hunter success for those licenses. Otherwise simple licenses numbers don't mean as much.\Allow dogs when hunting lions. The Hills deer population has been devastated by lions in the last 20 years. Wayyyyyyy too many lions.
2610	I have rarely run into other archery hunters in the hills where I hunt almost exclusively. I avoid chasing mule deer during the weekends, so my opinion may be skewed that it is "fine" as is for mule deer.
2611	To many out of state hunters on public land
2612	I believe that more people are starting to archery hunt because of the limited success on rifle tags. The only complaint about archer season I have is not allowing crossbow hunters in the in the state of South Dakota unless you have a disability. However, I do not believe that anyone should be able to use a crossbow just because they want to archery hunt however when introducing children to the sport and getting them interested in hunting in the state anyone under the age of 18 years old should be able to hunt with a crossbow without a special permit.
2613	Other states allow you to print permit after purchase instead of waiting for snail mail to receive. I feel this would save SD GFP a lot of time and money!
2614	I think get rid of the option to have both ER and WR tags be bucks. Have one must be a doe. Restrict hunters to one buck tag a year. Would be up for one statewide any deer archery tag for everyone. Restricting nonresident seems like a nonissue due to most of the people complaining hunt private as it is. I hunt only public and have not noticed too big of an increase over the past 4 years. I'm usually still the only one in a large area.
2615	As a strictly firearm hunter it would be nice to see a similar format used for archery hunters as well. Additionally for the firearm season a shorter season and less landowner guaranteed tags would help grow the population of quality mature bucks. We needs less guys that just drive around in their trucks for 3 weekends and 2 weeks and just end up shooting something out of the window.
2616	Success rates are way higher than what's being reported, and these deer especially on public land are being pushed around at least weekly for three months straight. Hunters and non hunters alike have been talking about how the pressure on these animals for the last several years has greatly increased.
2617	Sorry I couldn't be more help. I hunt one private ranch every 3 to 4 years.
2618	Raise tag prices! South Dakota is cheap compared to other western states
2619	Why fix it there's nothing broke with our system just let us hunt
2620	I understand that I can't archery hunt without hunter safety in SD even though I'm 69years old is that correct.?
2621	Have certain areas that hunters can apply for tags that it has limited draw and only you can hunt that zone for certain amount of time. Archery only.
2622	The more you try and change things the more issues there is to deal with....my2cents
2623	Non-resident should have to pay a higher fee for their archery tags.
2624	Any time the amount of hunters is in question the resident hunters should be the last to be impacted.
2625	Put in-state people first. Unlimited for instate. Out of state is a county by county or region by region draw.
2626	Allow crossbows for all archery hunting.

2627	How about, extending the archery season 30 days and all tags revert to antlerless /doe tags. Thoughts are if you missed the opportunity you get a final chance. We have alot of does in our area of east river. Maybe this would help to bring some of those numbers down to a more manageable herd. I was sitting in my stand and dmhad 41 does and 3 small bucks. Or maybe a combination buck/doe tag and doe must be taken first????
2628	look out for your state citizens and eliminate the non resident licenses and you have no increase for the last 10 years problem solved. But the State GFP is only worried about the dollar and managing people with money instead of the resources.
2629	I hunt a good mixture of public and private, and I am out hunting at least 45-60 outings a year. I feel the current tag allocation and structure is a good setup that I feel needs no change. My only concern is our mule deer population. Over the last 10 years I feel the numbers keep dropping steadily each year and I personally feel that may be due to the amount of NR archers and youth hunters putting a dent in our breeding age Mulie does. I would love to see a pause on harvesting of mule deer does for at least three to five years statewide for all seasons and weapons. We owe it to our kids to do what we can now while we still have a chance too rebound the mule deer.
2630	Would like to see more public and walk-in land enrolled some how, maybe offer a better payment?. also some more habitat projects. Maybe have volunteers for a certain project on one weekend here and there.
2631	You are doing a great job of managing the herd
2632	Archery hunters are harvesting many more deer than anticipated. That is restricting the number of licenses for in state rifle hunters and the availability of deer.
2633	Private land owners and hunter as a resident legally should be able to obtain an archery tag guaranteed. I think the draw is better than it has been. I do think muzzleloader is a joke for 4-5 year? Get real. You have more of an advantage as a 2 year draw with a rifle to kill a deer than a muzzle loader at a 4-5 year draw. Some people in the office need to think.
2634	There should be NO DRAW or separate units for archery deer. That would absolutely ruin the season. I have never even run into another archery hunter while I am out!
2635	Thanks for the work you do.
2636	Im a nonresident that would love to come hunt more in South Dakota but I would like the option to have access to public land for deer hunting. I do not know any landowners that would let me hunt private so if I don't get in on the draw the first time to get access to public land there is no point of me hunting South Dakota for deer
2637	To many people wounding deer need training course, and need more Wild Pheasants and Quail , it is rediculous all pen raised, we need stop grazing public land and quit GMO crops / insensive farmers to raise normal stuff .and get some wildlife back and get real habitat.
2638	I feel like we need to limit the nonresident hunting licenses that are drew per year. This is included in the rifle season also. The deer population is getting depleted because we make it too easy for non-residents to draw. The state of south dakota in its own has enough population with hunting wants to clean the slate. But the added strain to the wildlife population from the extra licenses doesnt help. Need to make it more of a lottery and certain amount of preference points before nonresident can successfully draw a tag.
2639	The questions/answers were vague as I am unclear of the reason for this form. Iâ€™m hoping no changes will come or if a promotion or new hire is trying to come up with another bright idea.
2640	nonresident archery should not have to apply for a tag so early, you should be able to buy an over the counter archery tag in august on public land. the reason why we stopped going to the black hills to archery hunt is due to the time you have to buy your tag.

2641	I have been hunting South Dakota for 6 years now. I've noticed the increase in hunter numbers over that time, however that increase is nothing compared to my home state of Wisconsin. I usually hunt the Custer National Forest area, and I did support the limited draw for that area. I think the way current regulations stand is about where they should be, however I would understand further regulations if the trend continues to go up in hunter numbers over the next couple of years. I love hunting in South Dakota but understand the need to keep hunter numbers in check. I am now hunting private land this year thanks to a friendly rancher I met last year, and the difference between public and private was amazing. Not having access to Custer National Forest last year we hunted the school lands, and walk in areas, and they were to say the least, bad. Between drought, overgrazing, and yes hunting pressure those areas were pretty much wastelands. I guess the only recommendations I would have is to study specific public areas and maybe come up with more restrictive numbers for the ones that are showing a decline in animal numbers. \\Thanks
2642	I like the current set up. I do not see the need to change anything.
2643	I mostly hunt black hills national forest land, and have encountered very few archery hunters. I know some areas in the state get hit really hard, and I think limiting the number of hunters to manage deer populations and hunter experience is a great idea. I like the ability to hunt anywhere in the state during a long season, and would like that to stay. I am in favor of increasing access permit usage to better manage deer populations and hunter numbers.
2644	I personally don't run into other hunters very often when archery hunting public land. This may be an anomaly but I've been very satisfied with my archery hunting experience. The increase in non-resident hunters warrants watching and potentially limiting nonresident license numbers. Also, if resident hunter numbers continue to increase, it may be necessary to divide licenses into smaller regions, based on deer populations or otherwise limit the number of licenses given. I love living in this state because I know I can hunt deer every year because of the unlimited archery tags. If we come to a point where that isn't possible, it will be disappointing.
2645	Archery hunting is hard and hard work. I like having the access to the whole state to hunt with my bow depending on what I feel like doing.
2646	It's unfortunate how many out of states hunt public land and take away opportunities from residents. I am fine with the amount of archery tags, but fewer rifle tags should be given out with the amount of deer struggling with disease currently.
2647	Archery hunter private land only tags should be available but too many on public land pushing deer everywhere.
2648	Do not like the new licenses system and having to apply so early.
2649	The reason we archery hunters want less non resident tags and less restriction is because this is a true challenge and it is too hard for west river folk to get any rifle tag without owning enough land like east river folk that do group tags
2650	Stop changing our system it's worked for years and it's just fine
2651	An idea would be to make a draw system for out of state hunters while the resident hunters have over the counter tags for east and west river.
2652	I like the current licensing system but I wish non residents could archery hunt public grounds in September
2653	For nonresidents it would be a certain number of tags and it goes to a draw system instead of over the counter? And increase the price of the tags for nonresidents. If you go out of state a tag will cost 600+ dollars.
2654	Think restricting nonresidents from public federal lands is unconstitutional, I served 25 years in the US military and you folks don't own federal land we do! I hope the people making these decisions get voted out of office.

2655	One reason that archery tags are up 30% is due to the fact that South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks has made it more difficult to get a hills tag for any deer or buck. If you want the opportunity to hunt a hills buck you have to apply for a archery tag as there seems to be an attitude against rifle hunting. I enjoy both archery and rifle hunting. I have not had a rifle tag for a buck in the hills for over three years which leaves my only opportunity to hunt a hills buck is with a bow. With limiting our hunting rights we are seeing our youth interest die. We need to provide more opportunities for bow and rifle.
2656	Make the licenses cheaper like they used to be.
2657	Would like to see a Muzzleloader statewide permit for residents only
2658	I strictly was harvesting off of private. This survey was not applicable to me, although I care about an issue that may arise in some years ahead
2659	We don't need to turn this into a limited draw, horn Hunter situation to try to draw in more money from out of state hunters. Hunting is for the procurement of meat. Anything beyond that is disrespectful to the animal and the balance of the natural world. Leave the money out of it.
2660	South Dakota GFP has been slowing stripping away residents rights for years. There needs to be more rights for residents and landowners, and stricter restrictions or higher prices per tag for non residents
2661	I think that archery tags should remain available to anyone who wants to partake in the sport but I think they should be limited to more than east or west river their should be smaller areas that your tag is good for instead of half of the state
2662	Bow hunting is a skill and the uptick in numbers may be due to Covid. If you limit anything reduce out of state access. Just because there are more bow hunters does not mean more kills. Make the season shorter so you do not have SD as the only place an out of state person can go to shoot a buck in velvet. Go back to Oct 1 if needed. SD hunting regs are already some of the most complex I have seen, and it would be nice to keep bow hunting as an option where you can get a license every year. Put more restrictions on gun deer hunting and reduce the amount of road hunting that happens.
2663	Would like the option to use cross bow during archery season. I am getting older but can't qualify for doctor note to hunt. Maybe limit to hunters over 50 years old.
2664	1. It seems like the problem of too many hunters on public land is a Sioux Falls and Rapid city areas problem. In the center of the state I haven't had any issues with seeing too many other hunters in an area I was hunting. 2. All Non resident should go to a lottery system for any deer tags. 3. There should be a statewide any deer tag for primitive archery only. The tags sold would be few and the actual deer killed would be few but it would give an extra opportunity. 4. It would also be nice to have an opportunity to get any antlerless tag. 5. Consider private land only tags like is offered during firearms season, even if they are antlerless.
2665	I was surprised to learn there is such a high number of out of state hunters. As a person who only hunts in my own state I'd prefer to see less of that
2666	MAYBE LIMIT ONE DEER PER PERSON STATE WIDE
2667	Survey would be more meaningful if you would have included harvest statistics. Tough to gauge whether # of hunters is adversely impacting population with harvest #s. Or if survey is just about access issues on public ground, make it more clear.
2668	Hunting is a sport everyone should enjoy. People hunt to free their minds. Don't be restricting that
2669	Put it back to where resident and nonresident are both allowed to start hunting public land when season starts so nonresident do not have to wait till October
2670	I would like to see the cost of the non resident tag to increase. Have been hunting Harding County for many years, when the non residents start in October it gets real crowded. Visiting with some of the hunters they always comment how SD is the cheapest for a non resident. Also I haven't had an access permit for 4 years, should be able to get preference points so can at least have an access permit occasionally.
2671	Lower nonresident tags and hills tags

2672	My family has owned east river hunting land for several generations. My parents still live in South Dakota, but I'm a single mom who now lives in Minnesota. As a non-resident, it is very difficult for me to hunt our family's land. The only way for me and my college-aged boy to hunt turkeys or deer is with archery. My 17-year old son can still shoot a doe with a rifle for one more year, but then he will be finished since he's not an archery hunter. Limiting non-residents large game hunting even more with archery limitations will prevent many more people from enjoying the great state of South Dakota, along with bringing money to the state.
2673	I think the state has done a really good job in deer archery hunting but maybe allow archery tags to be purchased over the counter!
2674	Please don't make this difficult for a non-resident to get an archery tag, we have already lost opportunities to get rifle tags on private land hunts.
2675	I'd like to see the introduction of the use of a crossbow during archery season by non disabled hunters. The plains can be extra challenging during archery season.
2676	I am very irritated with the access permits. In the past years, I have spent as many as 30-40 days per season hunting the 35L unit in Harding County. It is very difficult to draw certain rifle tags, so I appreciate the fact that I can at least get my archery tag every year. And now that they limit access to some of my favorite areas to hunt, this is very disgusting to me. Especially when I hear of people that get the access permits for areas like 35L for "just in case". Especially if they are non-residents!!\I understand that a larger volume of hunters can create more issues. But I am very disappointed that this hunting season I do not get to archery hunt 35L because I was not able to get an access permit. In the past few years, I have spent many days up there, and I bump into other hunters every so often, but that doesn't bother me, there's plenty of country up there.\Do what you guys have to, but this is my vote:\Discontinue the "statewide archery tags" make people choose "east" or "west"\Discontinue the "access permits"\And if you do not discontinue the access permits, at least make them unlimited like you did before.\Signed,\Public Land Archery Hunter
2677	'-The entire outdoor industry saw a dramatic spike during the pandemic.\Glad people are utilizing the resource.\SD's public walk in access program is phenomenal.\Appreciate how SD archery still presents a trophy mule deer opportunity. My public land experience in NB was dramatically different. SD manages well.\I do not hunt whitetails in SD. \Is this driven by residents complaining about non-residents?\Feel free to up the license tag price if that would help mitigate #'s.
2678	There needs to be a limited amount of nonresident archery tags available especially in the western part of the state.
2679	I have grown up on the boarder of South Dakota and the residents have always been known to drive around with loaded guns and massacre the deer. They then complain that the deer numbers are down from the hand full of non residents that come in to hunt. The deer numbers are fine. Hunting isn't harming them. Certainly not the minute number of non residents. It would be a shame to take more away from the non residents than you already have. I can't even hunt public land that my tax dollars fund unless I apply early. And I am not allowed to hunt September as a non resident. Enough with the non scientific decision making to appease the local criers. Thank you.
2680	I really like the east river and west river tag for deer. It give me the opportunity to get meat close to home but still have the option to travel for a different style of hunting.
2681	As a non resident, wish I was! but the restrictions on buying as license so early in the year is trouble for a lot of working class people who have a hard time ensuring time off. I'd like to come out to bow hunt this fall, but now I can only buy for private land which obviously I don't have access to. With so much public land to hunt, I wish I could buy an archery tag later in the season. Also I love the access permit allocations, but non residents sure took a hit on that allotment, feels like you don't want us out there. With most guys hunting from trucks, archery access permits should be the least of our worries. Love your state, I really do, I'd buy a tag and come out for a stay this fall if I could still buy a tag. Thanks for listening
2682	There should be a non resident archery draw

2683	there are way to many deer in kingsbury county. alyou have do is read the accident reports in the kingsbury journal. yuo would think the deer are in rut but it is this way year around. My wfe is on the lake preston and arlington ambulance ,the next time she has to slow down to20mph I hope she is going to your or 1 of your relative! The amount of damage to the vehicles is astronomical.just so you can sit and look sthe pretty deer once a year My phone number is ##### if you have the ##### to and talk about it.
2684	The issue is out of state residents traveling to South Dakota because of 1) unlimited archery nonresident tags, and 2) large public land opportunities in western SD. The revenue generated from these nonresidents is extremely useful for SD habitat, but nonresident to resident ratio continues to increase. A simple solution is to increase the price for a nonresident archery tag. This will inevitably decrease the number of nonresidents while maintaining the revenue for SD habitat. Another option is to start the nonresident season Oct .15, to give residents the priority for their land use. Another note, perhaps the additional revenue from increasing archery tags issued could be used to rent more walk in public hunting. This will create more acres for the increased number of hunters. Priority could be given to land that would unlock existing inaccessible public land (due to being landlocked by private land). Keep up the great work SDGFP!
2685	Few hunters, increased tag prices, preference point system on public land. Other states have developed models that work. Don't try to reinvent the wheel. Overall, I think SD Fish and Game does a great job. Thanks
2686	Allow crossbows for hunters over 62
2687	managing the deer herd is a renewable resource and seems to be tracked fairly well by GFP it will have to be monitored throughout the years as hunter densities increase, but also private land will limit the number of hunters to some degree as well. keep up the work, it is never an easy task
2688	I havenâ€™t hunted here long enough to give an honest opinion.
2689	None at this time.
2690	I know it is public land but to me if I'm elbow hunting and some non residents come in the pheasant hunt and see me bow hunting with my kid and scare away deer that are heading towards me wish something could be done about that
2691	As an person that hunts primarily private land that would not get hunted if I didn't hunt it I think the current situation works. Limiting my ability to get a tag every year wouldn't help people that hunt public land.
2692	Not enough east river any deer tags available. The mule deer population on private land east river breaks in potter County is more than healthy and private land owners would like to see a decrease in population.
2693	Why would South Dakota want to restrict the nonresident from enjoying game rich state. When i first started hunting South Dakota the license cost was \$15.00 back in the 70. Now I'm paying over \$300.00. This is where i took my son on his very first out of state hunting @ the age of 14. He is now 36 and we still enjoy your state.
2694	I have been archery hunting Mule Deer in SD for about 8 years and I love the land! I am from WI and being able to get out in the open country and hunt public land that is many square miles is amazing. I love that I have been able to count on drawing a tag each year. After changing the process a few years back that we needed to apply for a tag early was good as I feel the committed outdoorsman could still plan their trip and know you would be able to get a tag. I would be disappointed if non residence would be restricted to draw a tag for Archery as the percentage of hunters and most likely low kill rates hopefully is not a negative impact on the hunting. I really appreciate the opportunity to hunt and hopefully the revenue I bring helps the community positively. Thank you
2695	A lot of states have gone to a lottery drawing for non-resident archery tags, or have increased the prices for non-resident
2696	This has been an issue for years and I doubt you will resolve it after this either. You only care about cash not conservation
2697	Residents being aloud to harvest several bucks is your biggest problem and or even non resident being able to draw and harvest more than one buck. And I know several of your residents that do not shoot there deer in there draw areas. Should be a one buck system for residents and nonresidents with the influx of tags and applicants. Cut back on public land tags where90 percent of hunting pressure is also.
2698	Make bucks only legal to shoot if they have four points on one side!

2699	there should be a license for nonresident archers who own and hunt only their own property. which should be half the price
2700	The current licensing system seems fair and the current number of hunters on both public and private land seems right with not too many people hunting the same area. Thank you SD DNR for keeping things fair and balanced.
2701	As a large Harding Co. Landowner/Rancher, with even larger landowners as neighbors, I do not like all the walk-in and walk-over (on to my Land) archery hunters. It's not that I don't like archery hunters, it's that I don't like how early the season starts: it is too hot in September and that is what I term as "premature hunting", in that the bucks are still in velvet, the fire danger is extremely high, a deer with an arrow wound will surely die, some better bucks don't make it into the rut (very poor deer management--by the GFP experts), the farmers are still harvesting, the ranchers haven't weaned calves and no one is ready for Sept. hunters.
2702	Need to stop giving out so many non resident tags for both archery and fire arm. Make them have a draw for archery tags.
2703	As a nonresident I look forward to my trip to South Dakota every year, I think game fish and parks are doing a fantastic job, the health deer population and age of deer are second to none. \thank you and keep up the great management !!!
2704	I would like to see the removal of medical requirements to use cross bows that are not required on regular bows
2705	Make it so non residents can hunt public the beginning of September again. I used to buy an antelope and mule deer tag because the seasons overlapped. Now I don't buy an antelope tag because of it and spend less money in south dakota
2706	Get rid of the BS nonresident opener date and open it when the residents openâ€¦ makes no difference on the amount of deer killed per season and causes larger crowds later in the seasonâ€¦ probably wonâ€™t ever hunt SD deer after this year just because of that rule
2707	Please do not change the regulations for non-resident archery hunters. I have been coming to the State for over a decade and have lived in SD for 2 of these years. My work forced me to move and I will continue to archery hunt SD until I die. It's my favorite place to hunt in the country.
2708	I archery hunt whitetails with two of my sons only on private land in the NE corner of the State of SD. We see very limited archery hunters and the ones that we do see are young hunters. I would have an automatic licenses draw for anyone under the age of 18. We need to keep the young involved. Also I would suggest putting in a preference point system if necessary for drawing a limited number of licenses. Private land owners should always have a chance at getting a license to hunt their own land, they are paying the land tax to keep their County self supporting. Thanks!
2709	Consider a requirement for east river hunters to have limited tags for west river units and vice versa.
2710	National grasslands and public lands in the west get too much pressure from east river hunters. One statewide tag might help. East river guys blame non residents but statistically in state out of region hunters harvest the majority of mule deer on public land. Harvest reports is the running joke where everyone puts unsuccessful so you donâ€™t do the options previously addressed in the questionnaire
2711	No cameras or drones allowed on public lands
2712	I've never deer archery hunted. My survey ballot shouldn't account for much.
2713	You have a beautiful thing going! A couple of the popular mule deer areas people complain about too many people, but wow I absolutely love the South Dakota archery tag! I see very few hunters have a long season, good deer hunting. Please keep it as it is!!!
2714	LOVE the idea of doing away and with unlimited statewide and ER/WR tags!! I am a bowhunter myself on public land and understand that this might reduce opportunity for myself included, but I think the benefits outweigh that. I think setting up regional archery units that can be applied for is a great idea! I really hope input from this survey is utilized and changes are made.
2715	I do see a lot of tree stands almost like cities on some public hunting areas

2716	The goal of the GWP is to help create opportunities for residents. In this case, this would require the state to restrict non-resident hunters. None resident bow tags should be reduced or eliminated.
2717	Our group stopped hunting SD two years ago for more non resident friendly states, willing to travel farther and pay more for better hunting seasons. The idea of only giving non residents a few days of public land hunting before resident everything opens is ridiculous. Especially resident youth rifle..I mean seriously? If this state gave non residents an extra week, end of September we would probably come back.
2718	Open public land back up on September 1st to nonresident hunters. This will spread out the pressure over the entire season.
2719	Before restricting resident deer hunting opportunities, nonresident tag prices should be increased to drive down the number of licenses sold or nonresident tags should be limited as a whole.
2720	Increase private land access. Eliminate private land owner license preference. \I cannot get a rifle deer license in the county I live in even though I have a five acre lot and the deer damage my trees and eat the fruit from my garden. But my Nieghbor can shoot the deer in my tree grove and I can not stop them .
2721	Keep the same
2722	Look at doe only tags for non residents for a few years. Or restrict areas for out of state hunters.
2723	I feel as though the archery season structure is working well as it stands. Hunter participation from residents and non residents is crucial to maintaining our hunting heritage. There definitely can be crowding issues from what I've seen on opening weekend for non residents. I believe a split season for non residents could help spread that perceived pressure out. Open an early season for non residents from September 15 to October 25 and a second season option for October 25 to December 15. Also limit the total non resident tags to the average of the last 3 years and make the statewide tag the only option.\As a resident I really enjoy having the options to hunt my home area ground east river and still get explore west river with another tag. Please do not change this split!\I believe the main cause of the crowding issues that we are seeing is the lack of access to spread out on quality ground. The drought in the last few years has certainly exaggerated the issues by concentrating deer and hunters. Please put more money and value towards landowners of quality habitat to enroll in the chap program or Walk in program.
2724	I mainly dislike the the season dates for nonresident archery. The tag cost is expensive to remove the month of September for nonresidents, this also causes a influx of people in October because of nonresidents and residents combined with the addition of fairer weather. In my opinion there would be less people and pressure if opened up in September because of the heat when hunting.\Also in some areas the access to public land is unregulated and there are too many opportunities for truck driving scouting and hunting.
2725	There were too many small game hunters interferred my archery deer hunt season. If possible i would really like the dnr management to move small game a week after archery season.
2726	Make a limit on out of state tags and make it a drawing and get rid of doe tags out. population sucks for deer if you remove doe tags for 5 years I feel as tho the population would greatly increase
2727	Go back to starting it in Oct. To me Sept is to early and it isn't very productive. I have never gotten a deer in Sept.
2728	For deer specifically, non residents are largely not an issue in the early season due to the public land restrictions with the October later start date. I've only hunted two seasons, and I didn't see a ton of hunters in any area at any time (as an aside, loads of pronghorn hunters around buffalo on opener though.) My main goal is to have opportunity to hunt each year, and I want to hunt mule deer as a resident. We would all like older deer, but I'm not sure a draw would be welcome either, as it's a lot easier to plan if you know you can always get the tag as a resident. Thanks!
2729	Create a muzzleloader season, get rid of rifle.
2730	I would say make non residents tags a draw system and keep residents as they are
2731	If at all possible I'd like to see more land management to help help deer and turkey population. As in cutting some timber and maybe controlled burns in some areas to help promote natural and native plant growth for animals.

2732	There are enough places in the state with corn available to deer. One of the main reasons I hunt the black hills is the get deer meat that hasnt has its fat profile altered by a diet containing grains.\\Please consider eliminating food plots in the Black Hills.
2733	You should include harvest data in these polls. Just because there are more hunters it doesnâ€™t mean harvest has increased. If we are worried about too many hunters on land we need to find a way to create more access areas. Also stick to a set of numbers for better comparisons, ie. If you use a percentage in one sentence stick to a percentage in the rest. Comparing numbers and percentages seems like you are trying to skew the data into what outcome you want to achieve.
2734	Habitat improvement for whitetail and mule deer. I have noticed more habitat work is being done for pheasant and grouse. Things such as food plots and trees and bedding areas
2735	Archery hunters are not the issue. Rifle season is to long and to many tags. Rifle season should be one season long and not a separate antlerless season. Rifle hunters crowd the public spaces during that season and make hunting tough for archery as have way more distance and they can take deer at whether they actually enter the public or not.
2736	I struggle to find quality public access archery hunting areas. I see walk-in areas that are grazed or mowed treeless areas next to the interstate or similar areas that have no deer habitat.\\Consider partnering with landowners and creating archery only walk in areas. Not sure it that would create more hunting opportunities but what I am seeing in east-central SD is pretty scarce for places to go and that is where the majority of the residents are.
2737	Make archery deer licenses resident only!
2738	non resident archery tags should be extremely limited
2739	Too many people have access to archery license and they are going to similar areas which leads to crowding and over harvest. Deer permits should be drawn just like rifle permits to minimize congestion.
2740	I moved to South Dakota 8 years ago and have fell in love with the ability to chase both white tails and mule deer in the same season with a bow. Itâ€™s two completely different hunts on both sides of the river and this makes bow hunting challenging and fun. We have ample opportunities with archery equipment and itâ€™s really hard to fill these tags because of the challenge. Please do not take away our opportunities as residents to continue hunting for both species in a year. I would like to see a draw system for non residents but yet again how many of these non residents are leaving with a filled tag. Bow hunting is hard and is a low success percentage hunt. \\Prioritize the residents and donâ€™t take away hunting opportunities. Itâ€™s hard enough as it is
2741	Need to base license availability on success rates not license sold. Archery hunters should have equal harvest numbers as gun hunters. I hunt both and archery is a more challenging sport.
2742	Awesome place to hunt sd
2743	Where are the harvest figures when stakeholders fill out this questionnaire? That should play a role in any future decisions as well, whereas only tag amounts were displayed on this form despite the introduction to the questionnaire stating importance of harvest rates, too. \\If archery tag sales were kept the same (statewide/ER/WR) I would not be opposed to putting caps on # of available tags for each species in each unit. Further, I am not opposed to creating regions that people must select to hunt, but how will those regions be determined? Based on the answers available for the question of what kind of license changes stakeholders would be ok with, it appears GFP already has a plan in action to begin tag sale restructure, which will go to the region-based route.

2744	<p>I am a SD resident. I would encourage their South Dakota game fish and parks to look into the cost structure of resident and nonresident archery deer licenses. After talking to many nonresident archery deer hunters, I have heard that SD has very favorable nonresident archery deer prices and availability, especially compared to comparable states. As a resident and SD taxpayer, if the GFP has a priority to increase income from nonresident license sales, I would like to see it come from higher nonresident fees, it from increased nonresident sales. The often mentioned adage is "they'll come regardless of price off the license". And while I think this is mostly true, surely increased prices will direct nonresident hunters elsewhere. But I think the aforementioned adage would be the overwhelming scenario for most nonresident hunters. It is obvious what a Positive economic impact these nonresident hunters have for the states economy. And why not leverage that positive affect to its fullest through increased nonresident license fees? I acknowledge these are mere thoughts not backed by data. One thing I have noticed is an increasing general SD resident frustration with the GFP's managing on nonresident licenses and prices. It seems like it would be a good PR move for the GFP to put some measures into place that remind SD resident hunters that the GFP is primarily focused on increasing experiences for resident and taxpayers. Keep up the good work, I understand the GFP is a mostly thankless organization. When you do good, people rarely acknowledge it's because of your work, but when you are perceived to have messed up, whoo boy! So thank you.</p>
2745	<p>The amount of tags sold needs to be limited for both resident and nonresident</p>
2746	<p>I used to live in Sioux Falls and hunt public around Newton Hills State Park. I never heard a complaint of too many non-resident hunters. Most complaints seemed to be out west and big influxes around velvet hunting and mule deer. So here's a few ideas</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Remove the statewide tag, create these archery units- Black Hills, Southwest, Northwest, Missouri River central (10 miles each way of the Missouri until Nebraska border), Northeast, Northwest. Residents can pick two units etc, non-residents can get one unit that draw for either deer tags and etc for whitetail until sold out for unit. 2. Let non-residents to start hunting third weekend in September, this increases the time allowed in field and condenses pressure less between October and The gun seasons 3. Remove the the March 31st deadline to hunt on public. This is silly, if you want less non-residents just have less tags available and increase the prices. <p>Biggest thing is, that there is a growing population of archery hunters within South Dakota. Access will be more critical than ever before. It is shrinking access to public land so we need as hunters to pay for more access, this goes for every Hunter. So a few things that could also work-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increase the amount of walk in area across the state that are suitable deer habitat with higher priced tags for those hunting on public to help fund the program (increase all tags 25\$ and public land hunters 75\$ And non-residents 150\$) 2. Push for a season making a private land-owner season earlier (first and second weekend) in November with the contingency that after the gun season there land becomes enrolled in WIA. 3. Make leasing illegal on private land unless it's a private outfitter. Outfitters would be limited to 10 properties or 12,000 acres of leased control. (This would force some landowners to actually allow knock on door permission) <p>Ultimately the state either needs to become a western state with limited lottery units For archery, especially mule deer or needs to spend money to allow more access. I vote in favor of option 2, but understand that may not be the case. Also it's okay for some units to be better than others to have quality versus opportunity hunts. Good luck in fixing this challenging issue.</p>
2747	<p>The access permit for the 27L area used to be free and have no limit on access permits given out. I have been archery deer hunting there the last four years. With the new draw structure having 27L bunched in with the other limited access areas, and very few permits being given out, it is not fair to me and the other hunters that have been regularly hunting that area. I think limiting the number of permits is good, but having the 27L area combined with other limited access area further lowers my chances of hunting an area that I have been hunting and have learned very well. Furthermore, if an area has limited access I don't think nonresident tags should be given out. That just takes away from residents that like hunting certain areas, especially if that area already has limited access. I strongly believe that the limited access draws should be drawn as separate units, not all units in one same draw. Also, nonresident tags should not be given out for limited access areas.</p>

2748	Have a campaign to increase the amount of walk in land available and insure the money you are spending on walk in land truly has land that has hunting potential. A lot of time walk in land especially east river is land that is farmed or grazed heavily so it has limited hunting potential. Focus your dollars available on land that is good hunting land.
2749	Quit creating issues where there are none.
2750	The one public land piece I do hunt usually has 5-6 stands on it.
2751	I feel in state public land should be a lot more accessible also less limited areas
2752	Change the archery apply date for public land to august. It makes it much easier to make plans for it than in march.
2753	To many out of state hunters.
2754	State regulations should consider residents first and nonresident hunters last.
2755	I think anyone should be able to hunt with a crossbow or airbow
2756	Not being able to purchase a preference point for Adams Nature Preserve is BS. That needs to change yesterday.
2757	I feel like there's less poaching/illegal activity with archery then what we see with rifle hunting, especially out West. I don't know how to accurately answer the questions as it's a per basis (or land unit) situation. It's going to be super confusing to have different rifle/archery units for deer, and then antelope on top of that.
2758	Non resident archery tags should be a draw and limited like all the other western states. The residents should have a better preference for archery tags.
2759	Open up crossbow for all hunters not just handicap
2760	If it's mostly mature deer being harvested I have no problem with the increase in hunters
2761	Recent hunting over the last 2-3 years years the pressure has increased dramatically. Even on private land, landowners are giving preference to archery hunters over rifle hunters limiting the availability even more.
2762	Allow landowners of 40 acres to receive elk and any deer tags.
2763	I would like to see the tag status stay the same. But get more areas with treebelts for public access to help spread people out in the area. The main issue though seems to be lack of public hunting ground for people to disperse in. Plenty of deer to go around just need more ground to accommodate the extra people
2764	I have had a buck or 2 every year that would be a poor genetic deer that I would like to harvest, however, I don't wanna waste my only tag on that deer. Providing a second buck tag or management tag for private land owners may be beneficial in some aspects to improve the future generations but I feel needs to be managed in some way
2765	Im a non resident archer and i hunt on private property. We have very limited pressure from other archers. Any change to the laws would have limited impact on me unless the tag availability becomes restricted.
2766	I would not be opposed to having more walk in areas in east river. Some counties their are very limited areas for archery hunting. Thank you!
2767	Not allowing non residents archery hunter to start hunting until oct 1st is the reason I will not be coming back to South Dakota. If your change the regulations back to start at the same time as residents hunters i will hunt South Dakota again.
2768	The current structure of the seasons allows non resident hunters to plan and hunt south dakota public lands. Archery hunters success rates are generally very low. I'm not sure why this is an issue to some people. If anything, reduce the ability to buy both east and west river rag in 1 season and harvest 2 bucks. A 1 antlered buck per season or 1 per weapon choice would be an better alternative to reducing tag numbers.

2769	<p>When looking at other states such as MI and PA, SD has about 10% of the bow hunters that those other states have. Yes, we are talking about 300,000+ archery hunters in MI alone. MN, IA, etc have many more than SD. Why limit Res and NR any further if there are only 40,000+/- archery hunters in SD? Well, I know why: There are a few organizations that don't like that NR archery hunters shot 500 or so deer in WR a couple years back. Why are we starting a fight with NR's that greatly increase the economy over 500 archery kills? Increasing tag costs or limiting NR tag numbers will greatly effect local economies and even the GF&P. If tag prices were to increase, you'd push more people to abandon SD and jump over to NE, IA, MN, KS, etc. There is enough public land to spread amongst the archery hunters in SD. It was already decided a couple years ago to not allow NR hunting on public land prior to Oct 1. A lot of people are turned off by that and if that were to reopen, it would spread the pressure out even more. SD residents have no clue what pressure is, by the way. Maybe they should try competing with 300,000+ bowhunters in MI, PA, etc. Then they'll know what pressure is. \\The past two times I've rifled hunted in WR, I was not well received at lodging establishments by R hunters even though there were only 10 NR tags in the unit. It is my understanding that those R from far ER are also not well received and then can tell where they are from by looking at a SD license plate. This has to stop or you'll see things go way downhill.</p>
2770	<p>I like that archery tags are statewide and gives me flexibility as to where I can hunt. Perhaps nonresident archery should be like special buck licenses and can only be used on private as a means to lessen competition with residents, or perhaps a portion of them could be.</p>
2771	<p>Don't limit the archery antlerless deer harvest in Potter and Sully counties. The areas I hunt have ample deer and harvesting a few antlerless deer during the archery or muzzleloader season is not going to detrimental to the overall population.</p>
2772	<p>Hopefully south dakota will keep non resident archery license affordable. I haven heard talk of increasing to \$500. I really enjoy coming there hunting. Giving south dakota business and my money to such a fun state to hunt. You've already restricted NR to October 1st. In all the hunting on public land I have done I seen way more SD license plates over other states.</p>
2773	<p>Prior to any changes in resident tags, nonresident tags should move to a lottery basis with preference points and be region specific, not statewide. Also, I believe nonresident license fees need to be increased or they need to pay for a hunting license. Compared to other states, South Dakota leaves so much money on the table by not charging more for nonresident licenses. Keep resident tags the way they are.</p>
2774	<p>Push back the rifle season. This will give archery hunters a longer chance to hunt during the rut and less bucks taken with a rifle during the rut when bucks are most vulnerable.</p>
2775	<p>Non residents in other states are already tough to get or very spendy. Let's not make it harder on residents here. I'm from iowa and I love that I can get 3 deer with a bow. It's awesome. If anything take from the non res first and see what happens. I see more non residents out most of the time anyways.</p>
2776	<p>In my opinion the private land I hunt near midland,SD has a buck to for ratio that's should be analyzed a little bit. Each sit im able to see 30+ deer it seems. I would estimate the ratio in this area to be 15 does for every buck. It seems to be the case north of midland as well where it's more mule deer than white tails and the doe population is very high.</p>
2777	<p>You guys need to do a better job at collecting your deer numbers. I hunt many states and you guys have more deer and less hunters than any of them I hunt but do not provide the tags to your residents.</p>
2778	<p>I sent in for duck hunting didn't get drawn or get a preference point would like my point</p>
2779	<p>Have different dates for the archery season to limit overcrowding on public land</p>

2780	In my opinion, how the unlimited structure is aligned for residents does not require any adjustments. It is a system that continues to work effectively for both the SDGFP and hunters alike. The changes need to be made to the nonresident allocation of tags. With 16% of archery deer tags going to nonresidents, this doubles the 8% de-facto standard that firearms seasons use to allocate for non-residents. I believe a nonresident draw structure should be put into place that aligns with how the GFP distributes nonresident licenses. I believe it would also but a wise decision to make nonresidents draw in a specific unit for both deer and antelope licenses. Certain areas receive a great amount of pressure from nonresidents (Harding County - Antelope. Badlands Area - Deer) and allowing nonresidents to select a unit to apply for will spread out hunting pressure on deer and antelope and help with overcrowding on public lands. Thank you.
2781	I like the fact that archery hunting is not a lottery for resident hunters, which provides a way for people to hunt deer every year. Keep lottery for firearm hunts. As for non-residents I would be okay with a lottery system for trophy or low density deer regions.
2782	I would like to know how many archery tags are actually filled.
2783	Let's limit the non resident tags, way to many out of state hunters.
2784	Limit residents to only one statewide any deer license. But offer the option for multiple antlerless wt archery. Limit nonresident archery one tag of unlimited any wt on private or a Limit draw of statewide any deer. We do not have enough mule deer or enough public land to share with the unlimited nonresident archery pressure we are seeing.
2785	Don't take away resident tags for archery, it's hard enough to draw a rifle tag let alone get access to land. Archery season is the one thing I look forward too every year.
2786	I think GF&P needs to maintain a balance of deer in the Black Hills by increasing the number of Whitetail deer tags. The whitetail deer are harder to harvest than Mule Deer and therefore the numbers have increased significantly over the last several years. Land owners crops are being damaged by the whitetail deer population. It would be beneficial to increase private land whitetail doe tags to encourage land owners to reduce the numbers while to allow hunting access.
2787	Please allow non resident hunters to begin archery season on public land starting September 1st
2788	Need to limit the out of state tags and make it a drawing to many out of state hunters come in and ruin it for the residents.
2789	Don't change it
2790	I have been hunting sense 1966 I have brought up more young people to archery just to enjoy the outdoor. It is not if you get a deer its about being there I sure have enjoyed the nice weather do not freeze like I used to. Thanks for all you do
2791	I have been hunting public land only for the last five years during archery season. I have only encountered a couple areas that seemed to have over crowding. I can usually find a piece of land to hunt with less to no pressure from other hunters with a bit of effort. It seems as well that if one is willing to hunt later into December less hunters are encountered as well.
2792	Hunter's only need one archery tag per year. I would prefer to drive west to spot and stalk mule deer every year since the rifle tags are so difficult to get for mule deer, however, if my schedule didn't allow the travel time come fall, its nice to have the option to still hunt whitetails on the east side of the state.
2793	-Change non resident archery deer opener to September 1st. -Don't change anything in the Custer units, I've never hunted in them yet but those areas seem to be managed well.- Maybe adopt the ND rule that if the property isn't posted its open for hunting. Some land locked public land make it difficult on figuring out access points.
2794	I wish they would bring back non resident archery beginning at the beginning of September like it used to be
2795	This is a limited resource (deer). I would like to see archery hunter numbers restricted in the same way firearm hunters are restricted. I've been hunting deer as a nonresident in SD for 24 years. The impact of archery hunters has been quite evident in recent years. Thank you.
2796	keep up the good work, allow more non-resident gun permits on west river

2797	Would b nice to get more than one. Any deer bow/ archery license
2798	With ehd the low numbers of deer I will not spend my time and money in south Dakota
2799	I have not archery hunted in SD, so I left the density questions as no opinion. It was hard to answer a lot of the questions, there was not a lot of info to go with them. It's hard to want to change regulations with out knowing more details.
2800	Let nonresidents hunt in September again
2801	In all my years hunting whitetail in SD it seems like the majority of resident landowners don't archery hunt. Most of the archery hunters seem to come from nonresidents or college students. That number is small compared to other states programs. Limiting the number of nonresident archery hunters will only please the resident landowners (whom mostly only rifle hunt anyways). My opinion is that you may see a population problem if you put a restriction on nonresident availability of tags. One thing that would help is enforcing a registration of successful harvest instead of sending out surveys. It's one extra step for the hunter and it's not hard to do at all and it would give you a better idea of the amount of success archery hunters are having. That number is quite low in comparison to rifle hunters success if I had to guess. \\Thanks, and I hope you take everyone's opinions into consideration!
2802	I don't feel like the number of hunter is to high. There's to many guys that don't want to push past any trails and that's where the over crowding happens. I hunt all public ground and rarely see other people unless I'm near a trail or closer to parking lots. \\I dont want to lose what I look forward to every year because someone else isn't willing to put a little effort in.
2803	I like the current state of how things are. The only thing that I'm dissatisfied in is when you switched the state wide archery tag to be purchased by April 1st to hunt public land. That throws a damper in how a non resident can apply for rifle or gun tags with out needing to commit to archery by April 1st.
2804	Too many non resident tags
2805	The harder the rifle tags get to draw, the more archery hunters there will be. for many purchasing an archery tag is the only way they can get out and hunt big game in South Dakota..
2806	I am a non-resident bow hunter and I am currently happy with how SD has managed their out of state archery licenses. The price of the tag is starting to get a little ridiculous in my opinion, and that alone will start preventing non-residents from applying.
2807	Leave the archery season the way it is and restrict the number of out of state hunters . And start the archery season a little later as September 1 is way to early
2808	In my opinion the questions asked aren't that great at understanding hunter populations. For example, the public lands close to Sioux Falls or along the Missouri River around Pierre get a lot of hunting pressure for whitetail, near Sioux Falls, and mule deer, near Pierre. But, other areas that I have hunted don't have the same pressures. Therefore, I can't explain those differences in one question for mule deer and one question for whitetail. Also, what constitutes "Too few" or "Too many" hunters? To one person five hunters in 100 acres on public lands is too many and to another hunter that may be too few. Thank you!
2809	Limiting nonresidents would be the best thing south dakota game fish and parks can do. let the residents be proud of their hunting land. i've heard nothing but good things from west river archery hunting but dread going when every public spot has 3 out of state vehicles. the ratio of non residents to residents has been blown out of the water by the non residents
2810	I feel like the current system is functioning properly. Archery hunters don't have high enough success rates on public land to deplete or damage a population of deer. Success as a public land archery hunter is very difficult so I don't see it damaging populations.\\Rifle tag allocation needs a closer look than archery as that is where I feel harm to a population could occur. It is much easier to have success with a rifle than a bow, so further looks need to be made at rifle tag allocations than archery tags.
2811	Open public to non-residents 09/01 instead of 10/01.
2812	Do more like MN does with their deer tags. Make people who rent property have more of an advantage.

2813	Archery equipment technology has evolved dramatically over the last decade. That being said it makes it easier to use said equipment which in turn draws more hunters. But what your data is not capturing is the amount of fatally wounded deer that are not being recovered. The last few years we have been harvesting to many sub mature bucks (recovered and not recovered). It is starting to effect the amount of mature bucks we are producing. Almost all other states have overhunted their buck populations. South Dakota will become the next if we do not start controlling it soon. Truth is, the more mature animals a place has, the more popular that destination is. Lets please keep South Dakota a premier location for a hunt of a lifetime. Archery hunting is more of a determining factor in that balance than it was previously due to the technology increases. Not to many years ago archery was limited to 30 yards. Now 80 yards is not uncommon. 100 yards is not unheard of.
2814	Restricting non-residents on public lands they own because residents think they're the reason a resident can't tag a deer is not good policy.
2815	Thank you to all that make this state one of the greatest in the Union.
2816	Non-resident archery season should begin Sept. 1st, like some other states, not October 1st, and not at the same time as the start of antelope rifle season.
2817	I used to hunt archery in 35L as a non resident. I saw the "handwriting on the wall" a few years back as pressure "exploded". While there was an incredible burst of very early season/opening weekend pressure, I adjusted my travel to come out later in October. The true "pressure" seemed to have abated considerably by then, and I'd typically only see an occasional day hunter ramble thru. But, pressure admittedly still was greater than what I had experienced when I first hunted that area and literally saw no one for days. \\Due to COVID and some personal matters, I have not been out in a couple of years. I now see that you have to both commit to a license purchase and then hope to be drawn to hunt 35 L. I really hate that, even though I knew it was somewhat unusual for western hunting to have OTC permits and free access. It's the way the west seemingly is going, and I suspect my travels there to hunt likely are over or about over, anyway. I'll likely never draw a rifle tag anyway, and I'm simply not buying a NR archery license and then hope to draw that area to hunt. Moving to a new area after investing several years driving 1,700 miles one way to learn that area just isn't in my cards. I was already giving up virtually my entire home state archery season to get out there in the first place.\\To me a bigger issue there (and in plenty of other areas) is lack of access to often considerable "public" lands. I tried many times to pay a trespass fee to travel over private lands to get to public areas in and around the 35 L area I hunted. Nothing doing with that, which I understand. Why give someone access to "your" private nature preserve? Creating a form of access to these additional parcels might well help in alleviating pressure. \\End of the day, the juice probably just isn't worth the squeeze to me anymore. I wish you the best of luck trying to allocate the resource in what appears to be the face of unabated demand.
2818	i would like to see non resident archery deer hunters be able to start sept 1st
2819	Keep the resident tags the same and put more restrictions on non resident hunters
2820	Limit the number of resident tags by letting the person choose just one or two tags. So example..you can have a statewide archery tag but then you cant have a west river and east river tag. Or vise versa. So if you have a east and west river tag..then you can't have a statewide archery.
2821	There is a lot of resident gun pressure from the natives that affect the quality of bucks in our area.\\Thank You
2822	Make the Archery season a shorter season. There was no reason to increase the season to include the month of Sept. Why not limit to Oct. and maybe Nov. We do not need a 4 month season or really even a 3 month season.
2823	My biggest issue with archery hunting in South Dakota is the deer are smart and learn to stick to private land where they are safe from public hunters• private land owners take advantage of this and do their pay to hunt•. That being said this is America and that is capitalism, but at some point public land deer are gonna dry up and will kill the sport
2824	If there gets to be to many hunters on our SD land please restrict out of state tags before you restrict SD hunters.
2825	point restrictions would really help
2826	The only thing that needs to change is the amount of. nonresident hunters DO NOT change anything for residents!!!!

2827	I only rifle hunted deer in South Dakota
2828	I have been an avid outdoorsman since I was a little kid.I hunt a wide variety of public and private land in South Dakota. I truly don't see the purpose of restricting the amount of deer tags permitted to archery hunters in South Dakota. In my experience as an outdoorsman just having a tag in your pocket does not mean you will be successful. Archery hunting can be difficult and takes a lot of work and persistence to be successful. One of our goals as hunters, outdoorsman, and conservationist is to get more people involved and even more importantly the younger generation. Restrictions on the amount of tags should not be based off the amount of archery deer hunters in South Dakota as it is a way for people to learn and experience all the aspects of deer hunting through a more difficult and yet more rewarding form of hunting because you have to put in more effort and time to be successful.
2829	It has been difficult to obtain Black Hills rifle any whitetail licenses (Basically 1 every 3 years to 4 years) so the archery license for the Black Hills allows an old guy like me to get out and exercise/hunt every year.\It is GREATLY appreciated to be able to do that every year.
2830	Non-residents not being able to hunt public ground until October is a major loss for the State as a whole. I've stopped purchasing deer licenses in South Dakota because of it.
2831	I like hunting SD but as a nonresident it's too expensive to do it every year. I know more nonresident people would buy more tags if the price was lowerd.
2832	Living in brookings County, the amount of pressure within 90mins is absurd. If you own private, you're constantly hounded about access. Mostly college students and out of state hunters
2833	Out of state licensing should have a cap on it. Only 1000 licenses available. That's my opinion
2834	I'm from mn it's not even a comparison of archery hunters from state to state in fact hunting in general there's so much more pressure in mn it's alot harder to get deer permits in sd which limits the amount of people, I look forward to goin out to South Dakota there's hardly any pressure most of the hunters are all bird hunters
2835	In my opinion sd should go to a limited tag draw for non resident
2836	I'm a North Dakota resident. No reason I can't buy a over the counter whitetail tag. But im definitely not looking to buy one before April 1st. I'm fishing then and just want to be able to buy a over the counter tag. Raise the price I don't care. Should be no hassle easy peasy. Have a good day!\\~Avid outdoorsman that just wants to hunt the great State of South Dakota!
2837	The system currently in place seems to be working. Just please maintain the dates structure. Basically do the opposite of whatever Minnesota is doing as this state continues to ruin whitetail archery hunting. Thanks.
2838	I pay \$6k a year in property taxes to South Dakota. I would like the same hunting privileges and tag prices as residents.
2839	First off, I am a resident who truly enjoys my privacy, however I feel that South Dakota already restricts non-resident hunting in far too many ways. The 2 week small game season is just ridiculous. It goes to show that the state does not actually want out of state hunters, just their money. Entirely too much effort is spent pushing hunters to overpriced lodges and basically game farms. Multiple places on the game maps are listed as public but there is no access, because the adjoining land owner treats it as a private reserve. More effort and money should be spent on increased wildlife habitat and rehabilitating existing ones. As a resident I used to fish small ponds on state land all over, but many are now so polluted they don't support a decent wildlife population. Deer Hunting success should also be considered an experience, a person should not expect a 100 percent success rate. If any restriction should be put in place, it should be the number of tags a land owner can get. More deer may actually encourage the landowners to allow more hunters in reasonably. Not like the ones I've seem around areas like the White River charging \$2000 to \$7000 a hunter.
2840	I believe nonresident archery tags for use on private ground should be unlimited. These hunts provide income for the rancher and or outfitters. We nonresident hunters bring income to your state hotels, gas stations, coffee shops, restaurants, sporting goods stores, taxidermist shops. I understand the need to manage t
2841	I feel non-resident deer tags should be limited to 5% of the total tags issued.

2842	Please CONTINUE to allow nonresident tags. I grew up on a farm in Grant County where my parents still live. However, I am a non resident from MN and only hunt private land that my family owns or I rent from them to farm. Even though the tag is expensive I am very grateful to have the opportunity to bow hunt ground that my family owns.
2843	Answered no opinion because I only hunt behind the house and have no knowledge of the pressure or numbers throughout the state. I apologize for my ignorance
2844	Change non resident archery tags back to over the counter. buying by Apr seems little over kill for most areas hunted
2845	Nonresident landowners should pay the same price for licenses and residents. Most residents are not hunting their own land anyways
2846	Having not experienced public land hunting, I don't have a strong opinion on the numbers and structure and hope that those who hunt their can provide more value. As a non-resident archery hunter my only hope is to continue to have the opportunity that I have and would assume that the private land numbers take care of themselves. In other words, if we don't have success on private land or see the right numbers of animals then we won't continue to spend the extra money for that access. So it kind of polices itself unless game and fish doesn't like the overall herd numbers and has to limit everyone. I appreciate the opportunity to hunt your beautiful state and hope it continues. Thanks.
2847	It has been extremely noticeable to me the increase in Archery hunters in all areas that I have hunted over the past 4 years. Also noting the sightings of mature bucks has been non existent over the past 2 years
2848	I feel they should cap non resident Mule deer tags at less then 2000 tags. Also then give us September back on public land. The biggest problem you have is Resident hunters getting 5 buck tags per year. Most other states you get one buck tag per year.
2849	Non residents should have to enter a draw for private land only. It's hard enough for us residents to draw tags, let's keep it local
2850	As a non resident hunter I appreciate the opportunity the great state of South Dakota gives me to hunt on their public lands! I have ran into quite a few non friendly local bow hunters on different occasions.
2851	Out-of-state hunters help out businesses and the community. Since the quantity of those licenses issued does not seem too high I would not restrict those folks until such a time as the numbers justify it.
2852	With the popularity of western spot and stalk showing more interest in people I understand the western states are getting more attention. Even though South Dakota is getting more hunters your state still has some of the absolute best hunting around. I archery hunt mule deer in Harding county. I rarely see another bow hunter out there. I understand locals get irritated with the non residents. That's because there are quite a few people that don't respect the ranchers. And that's sad to see. I feel South Dakota is doing a great job.
2853	public deer hunting areas in state need to be increased. Private land owners have a lock on decent deer hunting areas,, unless I am willing to pay \$2,000.00 Plus for outfitters
2854	Hunters should be allowed to get more than one archery doe tag in addition to their anydeer tag. Lots of farmers complaining about deer damage to crops.
2855	Having moved here from another State, I think the rule for hunting in this State is a good ole boys network. They need to make it easier and not harder to hunt. The point system is pathetic! You should all be ashamed of yourself. You pander to those who want to pay big money to come in and hunt. I can tell the commissioners are land holders!! It obvious!!
2856	Keep providing good hunting opportunities to mainly SD residents but all can hunt.

2857	My family owns roughly 110,000 acres between Harding, Perkins, and Meade counties. The number of whitetails is out of control, while the mule deer population is in a serious decline. In the last 3 years we have seen the mule deer population get cut in half year after year after year. EHD is rampant - many water sources have dozens (if not hundreds) of dead deer carcasses. Unsure if EHD is the culprit or not, but it seems to be present. The region referenced above also has an absurd amount of out-of-state trespassers. Every season i run into 5-10 different GROUPS of non-resident hunters trespassing on my family's land with no recourse. The local game warden is too busy to stay involved. SD is one of the best deer hot spots in the country right now - but that is going to change if the state cannot figure out the management methods necessary to preserve a healthy population.
2858	I have hunting archery deer in many states. SD had less hunting pressure then many state. It's a great state to hunt in and nice that the tags are over the counter basically. I wouldn't like to see the tag go into a draw system. People want to be out enjoying nature, hunting and be out in the great state of SD.
2859	I would like to see the archery season open for non-residents on September 1st. I have been hunting public lands in the black hills for 5 years and have seen very few other archery hunters, so It's a bummer that nonresident have to wait until October before we can start hunting.
2860	I think it's a great way to get people in the field. Other states are all draw and that is why more hunters are doing south dakota because it's over the counter. Limit the doe tags on public land to 0 and you will still have deer forever then.
2861	I hunted west river by shadehill reservoir for an entire week in October of last year and had good run ins with 3 hunters. All positive. Where I'm from in New Jersey I would have more than that and mostly negative in one afternoon. I love South Dakota for that reason.
2862	I am from Minnesota however, my family has been archery hunting in Brown county for 30+ years. I picked up archery just over 8 years ago and it's unfortunate that SD has made it more difficult for non residents to hunt. While residents have options to take multiple deer; bucks and does each season (archery, rifle, muzzleloader), non residents are limited to 1 deer during archery and needing to have luck with the draw/lotto for rifle. I understand SD has wonderful natural resources and the state wants to share with their residents but, making it harder for non residents to enjoy your outdoors is not a good future for younger generations.
2863	1 Any Deer statewide and ability to buy Antlerless tag as a second for eligible zones. Most people started archery since buck tags are hard to get, even for residents.
2864	East river I really don't see many archery hunters on public land.
2865	You had 4 or 5 draws for riffle. I think you should increase the number of archery tags available per person. Such as 3 antlerless only tags. Like you have for rifle. Or allow for more archery tags after you have filled the tags you first applied for.
2866	Sdgfp should be investing into public lands expanding giving more opportunities. The non resident deer and antelope tags are only 285... while whitetail deer tags as a non resident are well over 500 in some states. these tags could be double in price for non resident as most states are that if not more. This would give the state more money to invest into land. In today's world the most valuable thing is land... public land.
2867	South Dakota as a Draw state for deer is too restrictive. The deer population is out of control and tags should be able to be purchased like a pheasant license.
2868	I love hunting SD. Great state to chase whitetails. It is great that SD makes opportunities available to both residents and non-residents.
2869	Possible application (lottery) necessary for more than one resident archery tag. Limit non resident west river tags.
2870	I like the system but it would be nice to be able as a non resident to go there at the opening of the season whether hunting private or public land.
2871	What's the harvest ratio to issued licenses? There are deer all over the Black Hills. I would think an earn a buck approach would be a better approach.
2872	The process needs to be easier to navigate. There are guys drawing permits with 0 permits and guys with 2 or 3 points not drawing.

2873	The mule deer herd in Charles Mix Co. is nearly gone. I would like to see some restriction on how many mule deer can be harvested. I would be in favor of having a lottery drawing for archery "any deer" keeping the harvest of mule deer in our state managed. I like the option to still keep archery hunters in the field with unlimited archery whitetail tags for both east river and west river. Thanks for looking into this for our future of hunting. \Eric Reiser
2874	I believe South Dakota should increase nonresident tag fees to coincide with the surrounding states. Also , nonresidents should have to enter a draw for any Mule Deer tag.
2875	more information on how and where to access these public lands would be beneficial.
2876	None
2877	Thank you for your work in providing exceptional bowhunting opportunities on public lands.\\I think that it would make sense to move the season start date to October 1. During September, it is often too hot to responsibly handle a harvest, even given a perfect shot. Also, there are still a lot of extremely young fawns whose chances of survival would greatly increase with the doe's continued care through September. We would still have a decent amount of time to hunt before rifle kicks in.
2878	Hunting in South Dakota has been super. Seen a lot of wildlife. Lots of deer. Proper game management is the key to keeps numbers of game available. Healthy herds also bring revenue into the state and local areas. The state of South Dakota is a great place to travel eat hunt and site see. Keep up the good work
2879	Why try to reinvent the wheel. Are you guys really that bored, that you need to pick on Archery. Not like it's hard enough with limited timber and the 30+ prevailing winds. Here's an idea go make sure sportsman against hunger is running well and your out focused on poachers and dealing with non residents.
2880	If you didnâ€™t restrict non resident to public until October it would spread that particular group out. I understand you got pressure to limit non residents to basically hunt with guides in September. I also believe that saying non resident hunters were shooting small velvet deer is so misleading lâ€™ve seen plenty of small bucks shoot by residents
2881	You guys are doing a pretty good job. Maybe raise the non resident license by \$50 to \$100
2882	My professional life gets very busy in October so I typically go on an early archery hunt in September. I would prefer to go to South Dakota, but given the October 1st start for nonresidents I now buy Nebraska or North Dakota tags.
2883	I think the current policies are fine.
2884	I lease land in SD to bow hunt whitetail deer if I donâ€™t know if lâ€™m going to get a license I wonâ€™t hunt there and the land owner wonâ€™t get 6000.00 dollars.
2885	As a non-resident archery hunter, 2021 was my first time ever hunting West River for mule deer. On nearly every parcel of public land I attempted to hunt I ran into other archery hunters. On the one day of my trip that I actually found an empty parcel and had an opportunity to put a stalk on a mule deer, the herd was spooked by a loud group of hunters entering the parcel from the other side and my stalk was spoiled. I don't plan on hunting South Dakota again unless I have more confidence that I won't run into other public land hunters.
2886	South Dakota is one of the few, dwindling opportunities for non residents to hunt. As hunting is getting harder out west for both residents and non residents it is hard to see opportunity go away... \\As far as public/private land issues. Have you guys entertained walk in areas to alleviate pressure. for both residents and non residents? or maybe entertaining and idea like Wyoming's hunter management areas, where the state and private land owners work together (land owners receive compensation, maybe through fee increases?) to allow public hunting on a reserved or unlimited basis.
2887	Reinstate the September 1st opener for non residents

2888	<p>There is plenty of private land that is not being hunted due too land owners not letting hunters hunt there land. There is a lot of people in SD that are not fortunate too own land there for they depend on public land hunting or the lucky few who have permission too hunt private land. I dont think there is an issue of too many Archery hunters, what is the percentage of hunters who actually fill a tag? I believe the problem is Rifle hunting. Rifle season is short and thats what most hunters go for. If there like me and live in Grant county, we are lucky too get a tag once every 3 years. Residents who reside in the county they live in should be giving the first option too posses a tag in the county they reside in. The last 2 years i have not pulled a tag for grant county among a lot of other people who live in Grant county but we see folks who live on the otherside of the state or miles from grant county hunt it every year! There is no land too purchase so we cannot be as lucky as the land owners and be guarenteed a tag every year as well. This is where i believe there is an issue with hunting, East river deer hunting that is. Us non-land owners in Grant county among many othere have to rely on Archery season too enjoy deer hunting and taking that away or moving it to a lottery system is basically saying we get too deer hunt once every 3 years which being a resident of SD and resdiding in Grant county is complete BS! If anything let folks be guarenteed at least a Archery tag for the county they live in and then for the folks who want too Archery and deer hunt in a county they do not live in be subject too lottery drawing or limited tags. It sucks not being able too riflel hunt but see out of staters hunters from miles away take deer every year in my county.</p>
2889	<p>I believe the Archery Application period for public lands should go back to being able to purchase whenever. I kissed the deadline by a Hour this year and am now not able to hunt for the first time in 6 years which is a loss in revenue for Game and Fish.</p>
2890	<p>As a nonresident hunter I would like to have the opportunity to hunt SD more often then once every 3 years (due to needing to have enough preference points to get drawn) which seems to be the norm as it currently stands. I would hunt every yr if I had the opportunity!</p>

	<p>The proposed changes brought fourth to the Commission from South Dakota Bowhunters Inc and ##### are biased and would result in negative outcomes to both non resident hunters and the state of South Dakota. This group and their proposals show me that they are not interested in bettering the state and archery deer hunting as a whole, but only to in their eyes increase opportunity for themselves and other residents. They say it themselves in their newsletters that they will continue to hammer away at getting their point across to the commission, who they don't feel is educated in the area and will go along with what they are proposing if they stay consistent enough. \\To limit non resident archery license's to 2,000, and increase the license fee to \$435 plus \$115 mandatory small game license for a total of a \$550 license is a blatant and unnecessary negative blow to non resident archery deer hunters who make up the VAST minority of archery deer hunters in the state. This proposal based on non resident archery deer licenses sold last year would bring revenue from license sales from approx 1.7 million, via 5,800 licenses sold at \$286, compared to 2,000 licenses sold at \$550 for approx 1.1 million. I believe in the proposal they even falsely state that this change will bring the state more \$ because of the license fee increase, which is completely false. That along with limiting the amount of non resident hunters by almost 3,000 will negatively impact the countless small towns and businesses that non resident archery deer hunters help out every year. \\Plain and simple, these proposals that you are being subjected to aim to hurt non resident hunters. If these resident hunters actually got out and hunted hard, did their research on where to hunt, and put in the miles on the ground and in the vehicle, they would find that hunting pressure for archery deer hunting in the state is not wide spread, it's actually very much the opposite of that. I archery deer hunt in NW SD in a very wide range for 10-15 days a season, and see almost no one. If there are specific areas such as the Black Hills or Custer National Forests where it can be proven without a doubt that non resident archery deer hunters are over pressuring the area and causing negative impacts, I'm in support of limiting licenses sold in the specific areas or zones. But if it's over pressured by all, then BOTH residents and non residents should be limited. \\The changes made a few years back taking away a full month of the season was a major negative mark on non resident archery deer hunters and it doesn't make sense to continue this trend because a couple persistent residents keep telling you to. I do not think it is right to make wide spread changes that negatively impact non resident archery deer hunters. I am glad this input form was sent out. Non resident hunters need a voice and should be heard. We aim to enjoy what South Dakota has to offer and help out the state in the process. Any changes should be looked at from an unbiased scope and not thru the point of view of ##### and others like him. I hope that reason and fairness will aid in making the correct decisions. I would love to be involved in further conversations about this topic. \\Thank you, \\#####</p>
2891	
2892	Get rid of the deadline to purchase an out of state tag and use public land. Just makes 0 sense.
2893	Make land owner only tags for archery. Restrict non resident sales. Only allow resident to have one of either west river or east river or statewide.
2894	Dont limit the whitetail hunters in the Custer National Forest with access permits, All the pressure is from the mule deer hunter.
2895	Allow hunters the option to hunt either east or west river. Not both. Increase in price of non resident tags or limit the amount of non resident tags. Those who hunt private land should still be able to do so without acre requirements.
2896	allow out of state archery hunters to purchase a license up to August versus the current process of April
2897	Create units not accessible by elk hunters that bow hunters can go for deer during the elk opener. Very frustrating the last 3 years constantly getting disrupted by elk hunters.
2898	Reopening nonresident archery season starting with the resident archery season would lessen the density of deer hunting later on
2899	We have been bow hunting as non-residents in South Dakota for seven years in that time we rarely see other deer hunters and as a group of four of us we only harvest about one deer a year total Leaving empty tages most of the time. We have enjoyed our time in South Dakota spending money in the community and the great people we meet.

2900	I have harvested a number of deer over the years in SD and NM and feel qualified to say archery is a much bigger challenge than using a rifle. You have to be much closer, the angle for a ethical shot is way more limited, etc. My point being the success rate must be much lower and the impact on deer numbers much lower so the increase in the number of hunters isn't likely a major herd size issue. I archery hunt in SD because I used to live in SD and have friends to stay with and private land access. If I had any request it would be for a lower any deer tag price. I am after the venison, not the rack, and have often had better shot opportunities at bucks than does but have had to pass them up. The extra 10(?) lbs of meat isn't worth the additional \$206 for an any deer permit. Perhaps there could be a trophy deer tag for areas where that is most likely and lower the general any deer tag? I haven't really seen any bucks I would consider a trophy in Brown and McPherson Counties.
2901	I am a non-resident archer and would like to hunt public in September
2902	I think any non-resident license should be subject to a limited entry draw.
2903	Restrict Non residents to unit specific hunting, while maintaining ease of access for residents to non-unit specific hunting
2904	South Dakota Landowners already have too few of options in regards to licensing and harvesting wildlife on their privately owned land. Landowners should more options for regaining loss of profits brought on by wildlife living and feeding in their fields and crops. There is a difference in a Landowners being able to re-coup loss and profit from private tags/licenses, than what many term, "commercialized hunting". Being successful in Hunting is challenging, as it should be. Issuing fewer tags and keeping other hunters out, should not be a solution for becoming more successful. If and individual puts in the time and the effort needed, rarely will it matter how many other tags are issued,
2905	Many hunters leave stands on public land all year despite the timeframe restrictions in the regulations. This limits hunting locations for hunters actually following the tree stand rules.
2906	I have not bought a deer license since the access permit switched to a lottery. My only hunting spot requires an access permit but in order to apply for a permit I need a license in which turns out to be a \$300 lottery ticket. Fix that . Let me apply for an access permit then if I get it I will purchase a license
2907	I think the regulations for crossbow hunting should be changed because not all people are good at bow hunting and it will make it easier for them if they use a crossbow. I even wish that I could use one.
2908	I would like too see a larger whitetail harvest in both archery and Rifle seasons too help keep habitat for mule deer. More public land in the east would be great. I think there should be less restriction on archery tags as it allows more hunting opportunities than rifle tags. The good earth archery access areas are great and i think there should be more Archery only areas and less restriction on the number of archery hunters. No rifle units or archery only units in the west would make for world class archery mule deer hunts in western SD.
2909	THERE SHOULD BE AN OPTION TO APPLY AS A GROUP THE THE ACCESS UNITS AS THAT IS HOW PEOPLE HUNT. OR BE ABLE TO GET A REFUND FOR A GROUP OF LICENSES THAT ARE NOT ABLE TO DRAW AN ACCESS PERMIT.
2910	Nonresidents should have the same hunting and access opportunities as residents on all National forest land.
2911	I think the current system works well I think there should be more archery only areas and possibly trash the idea of Tribal tags all together there is so much trespassing by tribel hunters in the entire state
2912	Allow more public hunting access to private land that are seeking relief from deer foraging damage. Not allowing private land owners to receive crop damage permit to sell, barter or trade for any form of profit. No crop damage permit to any non resident.
2913	For east river, the population needs to grow more. Lessening the rifle tags for a few years would help.
2914	I have archery hunted East River the last 3 years. One suggestion I have is that the public hunting ground/areas not be closed to non-resident archery hunters until October 1st. I am a non-resident hunter and do have limited access to private land to hunt. There are several public hunting areas in the region I hunt and I cannot utilize these public grounds until that October 1st date. I am sure there are several reasons for it but I just feel that non-residents are being restricted too much when it comes to this issue. I thoroughly enjoy the hunting experiences I have had in South Dakota and those to come in the future. Thank you for the opportunity!

2915	I would like to receive a text or email for the deadline of the non-resident archery
2916	You have to consider the amount of people that have moved into South Dakota in the last 2 years also. Same goes for antelope season. Restrict your rifle tags and nonresident tags
2917	thanks for input. less restrictions for out of state draw, or more reminders would be appreciated.\\Thanks
2918	As a nonresident I would like to see the draw dates for archery pushed back to later in the year. There are several other states that have their draws open at the same time. If I could purchase a public land archery license later in the year I would be more likely to come deer hunt Sd. Thanks
2919	You could do unit specific for archery like rifle season with a limited draw. Rifle tags usually take 2-3 years to draw a tag. I would rather see less rifle tags than archery.
2920	Resident gun tags are the biggest issue with having quality deer hunts on public land. Non residents don't kill enough deer to make an impact. The October 1st opener on public land already hinders the non residents.
2921	There is a lot of public access out there, just have to put in the miles to find it. Likewise, there's plenty of private land owners that will let you hunt, just can't be afraid to go up and ask.
2922	It has become increasingly difficult to get a firearms or muzzleloader license and I have lived and attempted to hunt in SD for 18 years. The archery license becomes the last bastion of hope for regularly putting meat on the table. I would utterly eliminate the out of state hunting licenses before I would further restrict residents and AD military. The thought of continuing to restrict (punish) our residents and taxpayers to provide recreation for non-residents frankly disgusts me.
2923	In the 3 years I have hunted it has been for mule deer in the west, but have always bought a full state tag. Hunter numbers where I have hunted have not been a problem. Not sure of pressure in other areas.
2924	Deer numbers seem to be down significantly in the Black Hills compared to previous years.
2925	The nonresident archery opener on public land in October is a joke, I do not hunt SD anymore for that very reason.
2926	All states with significant federal hunting lands should be required to sell non-resident hunting licenses that allow access to those properties. After all, my federal taxes help cover the cost to acquire, protect, and manage these lands. This is the main reason I continue to return to SD. It's my right.
2927	Providing the % of filled tags compared to % of licenses sold would help answer the questions more accurately.
2928	Consider the effects these decisions will have on our acquisition of Pittman Robertsom dollars. If we cut licenses well loose out on federal grant money. If licenses are cut maybe offer a reduced small game license to applicants that were unsuccessful in their archery draw. Additionally, maybe consider either increased non resident prices or other incentive programs to spread more hunters out onto private land.
2929	I think that the big thing that prevents hunters from spacing out from one another is the limited availability to large tracts of public land - a majority public land parcels can be scouted from a road on all sides in SD, unlike the plains areas in states such as WY or MT.
2930	Limit nonresident tags for every tag that are available to them.
2931	I think more focus should be on tags regarding rifle seasons. I've had way more problems with people with rifle tags than those with archery tags.
2932	Not enough decent public land. Most public land is grazed down by cattle and holds very few animals.
2933	The cheap price of out of state license to archery hunt combined with ease of access to these license, far surpasses other states. Most of these out of state hunters are bringing in their own food and drinks and supplies. They stay on public land for free and often are taking deer that have never had a chance to mature. For example, Harding county, the amount of mature deer out there 10 years ago compared to now is a joke. If you keep the current regulations make a limit on how small of deer these hunters can take. I.e. At minimum the deer must have four point on one side.
2934	I feel like the number of hunters/ archery is still keeping up with deer populations. Thanks

2935	One of the very few states that you can still get a western type hunt feel without having to worry about getting a tag. I like the lottery date being moved up to April and I think that hunters forget to do it that early. Overall I think South Dakota does a great job of managing the deer population and a lot better than most states around them
2936	The System they have in Nebraska is what I wish we would adopt for RESIDENT Archery Deer and Elk season. There are way too many out of state Elk Archery Hunters and it's too Difficult for Residents to get a permit with the current point system.....to be honest....\It sucks really bad when you get to where you have the time to go Elk Hunt with a Bow only to have to get told no because you don't have enough points....at this rate I will be too old or dead before I draw a tag....and I live in the Black Hills !
2937	I don't know if license numbers should be reduced unless it's taking a toll on the deer population. I do however think there should be stricter limits on non-resident licenses along with a higher price tag for them. I feel like SD non-resident tags are too cheap for the quality of hunting that is offered on the Western side of the state.
2938	My fiance and I have been hunting archery deer down at Sheps Canyon area and Hill Ranch area and every year we get a access permit and this year we had to apply for a limited draw archery permit for that area and only 20 permits were given out for that area, there is a lot of land and I not that many people hunt that area so I don't understand why they made it to having a limited access permit, the past 4 years we have applied for the permit and have followed all the rules for that area and we have noticed many hunters and talked to them and they didn't have the access permit, why do we get punished for having a permit for that area in the past and not able to get one for this year • doesn't seem fair to the people that go down to that area ever weekend can't get the access permit to hunt archery deer there
2939	Do not impliment any kind of lottery drawing. It's already hard enough to draw rifle tags. Dont make it harder to archery hunt.
2940	Needs more areas for bow
2941	I think this is a discussion that can't be solved in the allotted space in this box. While the number of hunters has increased the amount of land has more or less stayed the same, obviously this has been an ongoing discussion throughout the years but greater access to land could possibly decrease hunter pressure in certain areas. From my experience the resident hunters are not the ones crowding the public land, and for the record I am a non resident. Overall deer numbers are good to great I would say but the chance at finding an older age class buck is decreasing, not sure if that is because of added pressure or increased harvest. Without looking at the success rates I would say maybe a little of both.\\In regards to land access I was going to send over some other ideas/questions for GFP to consider, after being out antelope hunting over labor day weekend. If you see that email please feel free to reach out with comments. \\To wrap this up I think the current regulations should stay in affect for another 2 to 4 years to see how things play out as long as deer populations can be substained.\\Another reminder would be to let the SD GFP manage how they deem fit, game biologists should be making the regulations not state representatives in legislation.
2942	Land owners postÃng publiÃš land
2943	It is nice that this is a tag I can count on each year with this horrible draw system in this state. The deer are over populated in many areas and should not be limited further. You could provide incentives to hunt in certain areas to manage the population.
2944	I have only hunted public land, and had no issues of too many hunters around me. But since the state switched to the current way of doing the license application, I won't be hunting there again. I don't like that I need to send in that early, it should have stayed as it was.
2945	South Dakota puts significant limits on non-resident rifle opportunity. They should continue to maintain or increase nonresident opportunity in the form of archery hunting.
2946	The areas I've hunted don't have too much archery pressure, most of the pressure I have encountered is during the rifle season.
2947	Please reduce landowner to 80 acres instead of 160.

2948	Remove the later start date for Non-Residents. Also, remove the draw deadline for non-residents. This deadline has kept me from buying an archery tag for the last 4 years when I did not draw my Rifle tag. If you don't want to remove the deadline at least make it so you can apply for an archery tag after the rifle tags are drawn.
2949	I would like to see the archery season start date for nonresident hunters return to the previous September 1st start date. The October 1st start date for nonresident hunters gives us the least opportunity to be successful as well as eliminating the opportunity to harvest a buck in velvet. The opportunity to harvest a velvet buck was one of the main reasons I chose to archery hunt in South Dakota. I will likely start hunting a different state after this season due to that season start date change.
2950	It would be better to show how many tags were filled verse how many were drawn. Also, don't restrict the gear that we use for archery. What's the difference of having a range finder on your belt verse a built in one on your bow sight. Lessen the chance of deer suffering.
2951	I am an SDSU student and have been a consumptive user of the state's resources for a little over a year now. I think the current opportunities such as the any deer state-wide tag allows me the opportunity to go out into the western side of the state and chase what would be a dream hunt for me. If I don't have success, I can still take a white tail on the eastern side of the state. It makes me feel as though no matter what happens the money spent on the tag is a good investment.
2952	Stop gun hunting over the rut. Rifles already have so many advantages over archery gear, now archers lose their spot to gun hunters over the best time to be in a stand.
2953	I think the license restrictions and access permits are in a pretty good spot. As a non-resident, i would enjoy hunting custer more often, however, i understand the importance of maintaining pressure in those areas. There is plenty of public land, but a lot of it is land locked by private land with no access or just sprawling fields with not features which is not attractive to deer or deer hunters. So, on the maps, it may seem ;ike there is a plethora of land, but only a smaller percent is actually worth hunting. This reduces how spread out the hunters are and may make it seem like there are more hunters than there really are. I have been able to find some good, smaller parcels, but I have been coming to the state for about 5 years now, so i've learned a lot. South Dakota does also have a favorable license situation of unlimited non-residence. This allow folks to buy a tag early and if they do not draw their desired tag in another state, they can still do a hunting trip. I know its possible to refund tags as long as its done prior to the season. \\Overall satisfied with hunting in SD. I will be going again this year. All the resident folks I've ran into are very nice.
2954	I like archery hunting for various reasons. But 2 big ones are that the draw is guaranteed for any deer and the season is long. With a busy family life, I like the flexibility. It would be nice to keep it that way.
2955	You make it way too complicated to figure out how to get to hunt where you want, which is part of why we are not going this year, maybe ever again. Got license but then denied a permit for where we wanted to go - a waste of \$285 x 2, me and hubby.
2956	I pay to hunt Private property so I have no opinions on what happens on the public ground as far as hunter densities. The only time that I would restrict the number of tags is if your not hitting your population objectives for a unit. I think that you would decrease the amount of nonresident archery hunters if nonresidents were allowed to apply for leftover drawings and second tags in the same unit. \\Thanks for the opportunity to comment.
2957	I think a 1pt system would be ok. Restrict non residents to every other year. Im not a fan of restricting them off public land until Oct. Opem up the whole season
2958	My opinion....let the resource dictate the number of tags available. The number of tags sold has no bearing when not compared against the quantity and/or health of available resources. \\Deer population and herd health need to be considered when discussing the number of tags sold.
2959	No restrictions at all on archery hunting except an unlimited number of statewide permits for 1 antlered deer and 1 unantlered.Success rates are low enough that harvest numbers will not be too much for the statewide population. IMO.
2960	Allow non residents to hunt public land during archery opener rather than making them wait until October 1st
2961	Changes are going to need ti be made due to the massive human population influx.

2962	I do think it's important to consider the number of hunters in an area. Nothing spoils a big game hunt more than a crowded field and I think if reductions ever have to come they should be a the expense of non resident hunters first.
2963	Residents complain about nonresidents, as the nonresidents hunt much harder for a shorter period of time and have more success because of that. You closed off the Sept 1 opener due to nonresident complaints and yet the nonresidents are fishing or doing everything but archery hunting. Nonresidents are the financial backing due to cost of tags, motels and fuel. I have yet to see other archery hunters in Harding county and I'm told that is the worst area for pressure.
2964	I hunt in north western South Dakota mainly and there is a lot of public land out there. The areas that are higher pressure are close to the road because people are too lazy to get too far off. There is plenty of land to hunt that many people and plenty of deer to be hunted with the current pressure. If you get a mile off the road there are deer all over and not much for hunters
2965	Add the Black Hills as a limited access permit especially for Mule deer
2966	Please don't change availability of tags. As a non-resident, I would support increased fees for non resident archery tags.\\Thanks!
2967	I think allowing a archery deer permit in both sides of the state is excessive. I would limit us to one over the counter archery tag.
2968	Nonresident Archery hunters are concentrating later in the season since they are restricted from public land opportunities earlier. More hunting days available to them and they'll be spread out more.
2969	As a now nonresident of South Dakota. I would be more interested in coming back to deer hunt with a bow if you could hunt public land before October 1st.
2970	As a nonresident hunter to the west it is getting fatiguing. Sad but probably the point.
2971	The problem with East river/West river tags is there are lots of people buying both and just filling them wherever they hunt most. I know this is an archery survey but:\\ I really wish you would make an East river/ West river muzzleloader tag instead of just a Mloader tag. It's almost impossible to draw one and lots of hunters never leave east river!!! I've never even seen a person hunting with one in SWestern SD while I'm out on public lands hunting during the month of December.
2972	Your new laws that say non resident hunters can't bow hunt public land til Oct are trash, used to be one of the best states to go mule deer hunting but u have definitely made it so non residents are at a significant disadvantage, I hope you reconsider that rule.
2973	I honestly have had no issues dealing with too many people on public land west river. I have not dealt with any east river hunting therefore do not have an opinion on that. Any time I have run into another hunter I was either able to talk to the person to avoid any conflicts with where they wanted to hunt or have been able to completely avoid them.
2974	I'm a non resident and want to see deer numbers thrive. Only way to do that is to limit/reduce tags. The draw for non resident by April was smart, maybe add some sort of draw altogether with preference points.
2975	From a nonresident perspective that hunts multiple states each fall, I am always disappointed in the amount of hunting pressure on public lands in South Dakota. Not always directly related to just deer, Antelope and Pheasant hunters although not pursuing the same game, inadvertently have an effect on each other when it comes to hunter pressure on public lands. South Dakota already restricts non residents to a different set of seasons vs residents - those being an application date and a later season starting date. If tag allocation is to be changed it needs to happen to BOTH resident and nonresidents equally. Tag allocation also needs to have a different pool of Private vs Public land, not all areas of private has the correct habitat to hold game, but the areas that do have a significantly greater amount of game living on them.\\ It is my opinion that there may be ample amount of space and areas available to hunt game in South Dakota on a map, but the actual holding capacity of a vast majority of those public lands are void of habitat due to over-grazing, especially true West River.
2976	I do not bow hunt I generally like the draw and management plan thank you M R

2977	Get rid of the applying for archery deer in the black hills public ground, i want over the counter tags so i can come and go when i want, like it used to be. I happen to love hunting here but applying in April does not work for me if i decide i cant make it.
2978	How am I to know which hunters around me while hunting are resident or non-resident. Kind of a crazy question to ask unless you are now going to make hunters label themselves as one or the other - and please don't do that.
2979	I wish the option of antlerless tags were easier on the website to acquire. It could just be my dumb brain not realizing how to get them but I have heard others not know how to get one as well in the past
2980	I think archery hunters should get more tags I only got two tags. This year I had more last year I applied for everything and the only tags I got were archery state wide deer thatâ€™s it I havenâ€™t Evan got a rifle tag in 4 years
2981	I would prefer seeing a limited number of non resident archery permits in a draw system.\I've been archery hunting the black hills for 40 years and have seen a dramatic increase in the number of non resident hunter camps set up in mule deer areas and have seen small fork horn bucks hanging from their camps. I would enjoy seeing an antler restriction for mule deer bucks to be 4 points on one side or 25 inch spread minimum.
2982	Change west side muledeer rifle to the first 2 weeks of November.
2983	I believe SD does a great job managing their hunting and wildlife management programs.
2984	Rifle harvest is significantly higher than archery. In my area I rarely ever see other archery hunters, but rifle hunters kill almost every 3 year old + deer. \\The chances of a buck surviving to 5 years would go up significantly if rifle season was moved out of peak rut.
2985	I have hunted in late November the last 5 years and have seen very few hunters. Seems like limiting access to bow hunters late in the season is unnecessary.
2986	Limit the number of deer an individual can take in any given year across multiple season/weapon types. So one person cannot shoot 4 antlered deer in one calendar year.
2987	Remove the requirement of non-residents having to purchase their archery licenses early in the year to be able to hunt public land and move back to a true OTC. Also, not allowing non-residents to hunt in September severely restricts their opportunity to hunt and limits the amount of revenue coming into the the state (I.e. license sales, purchases made while in state such as gas, lodging, food, etc). Thank you for the opportunity to voice our opinions!
2988	There should be no way possible that a resident can possess in one season so many buck tags. Residents should be allotted 1 tag and be able to hunt either archery or rifle and harvest 1 mule deer buck. The downward spiral of the buck mule deer numbers is directly related to this
2989	Make the state wide archery tags over the counter...not a draw.
2990	I have been coming out to SD for years now to archery hunt and every year I am out there I barely see any other archery hunters which I think is great. However, I would like to see the April 1 deadline moved back into the summer as April is extremely early to be buying a no point archery tag. Will give some more guys the ability to pivot to this as another option.\\Also would like to see nonresident rifle tags increased as itâ€™s near impossible to get anything rifle related as a nonresident.
2991	With low success rates archery hunting is a net positive for the state. Bring more nonresident dollars to our wildlife.
2992	I believe we should have a draw for non residents for Archery deer!!No more unlimited for non residents,just to many and being a close drive for Eastern hunters for mule deer is hurting the mule deer population in South Dakota!
2993	Allow crossbow for over 65. Keeps older hunters in the field
2994	I have averaged between 12-15 days archery hunting the Black Hills the last 4 years and have seen Zero other archery hunters.
2995	Earlier opener for non residents hunting on public land.

2996	At the beginning of this survey it was stated that there was an increase in tags sold, but was there more deer harvested? I would say likely not. The success rate is so much lower with archery gear compared to firearms that I don't think archery tags should be limited. It's the one advantage over gun hunters we have as bow hunters to get a tag in our pocket and get out there more during archery season, whether we fill a tag or not. I believe the current tag structure is a good fit for the deer population and amount of hunters taking to the field in South Dakota!
2997	Many south dakota hunters believe we should start the bow season 2 weeks later in September and go 2 weeks later in January
2998	I would love to see an option for east river, rifle deer on private land for a non resident. I also hope there wont be any restrictions on archery hunting for non residents on private land. \\Thanks!
2999	Rifle tags any deer tags are very difficult to draw. I recommend making nonresidents have to enter a draw to get archery tags so that residents have more opportunities. Thank you!
3000	Limit the number of non resident archery deer licenses by making it a limited draw license.
3001	Make CRP profitable again.
3002	Too many hunters o public lands early in the season.\\Not much left for rifle season since everything has been run off\\Too many out of state licenses for deer and antelope
3003	I'd like to see a restriction on game cameras on public lands. I counted no less than 4 on the little patch of public ground we hunt. It's getting a bit ridiculous. We hunt to get away from all that stuff and to be honest people. its as if people are occupying the spaces there 24/7 throughout the entire season. Get rid of the cameras and improve everyone's experience of the outdoors.
3004	Maintain current license options for residents and implement a point based drawing system for nonresident hunters. Maintaining 5-10% fewer nonresident hunters from today's numbers will increase the overall desired outcomes of future seasons. We will continue to bring the external money into the state without completely devastating the outlook of archery hunting for residents.
3005	I understand out of state income is important. I support out of state tags, however, other states like Colorado charge very high rates. I support that. \\Conservation is important so reducing tags would only be beneficial if the tags that filled are comparable to previous years. \\My concern is the amount of pressure on public land. The 350 acres I'm hunting this year has nearly 10 tree stands on it. Obviously not all 350 is prime spots. My question is, how many people are putting in the effort to fill those tags. Limiting tags and access my pull more dedicated hunters that want to fill the tags.
3006	I think the dumbest decision you guys have made is when you allowed nonresidents to hunt on September 1 and then took it away the next year and only allowed resident hunters to hunt on September 1st on public ground. I have hunted deer in South Dakota 2 years 1 year I was allowed to hunt on September 1 and then the next year I was informed only residents could hunt on Sept. 1st. I swear I will never pull another hunting tag again in the state of South Dakota. Choices like that are made because of Politics not for the betterment of the animals or the hunters. South Dakota and Nebraska are 2 of the worst run game fish and park systems I have ever seen. I hope this helps you guys in the choices that are made in the future
3007	Obviously as a non-resident I'm not there to see in here what's going on in the state day to day. However, the numbers given don't overly excite the idea that there's too many hunters. I haven't applied for 2 years because the October 1st start date first of all doesn't make any sense to me but doesn't work for many as far as scheduling goes. If the ultimatum is giving residents first opportunities then I believe in changing the entire system to a draw like New Mexico where 8 4% of tags go to residents and the other tags go to non-residents. This gives everyone a fair shot on opening day
3008	Nothing further
3009	Steam line the permit system
3010	Limit the amount of non resident tags to 800-1000 tags and just allow unlimited one statewide any deer per resident. This would allow residents to 1 buck per season throughout the state instead of taking two per season separated by the river.

3011	As a nonresident land owner, I would like to see a reduction in the price of archery license for those who hunt on their own land. I do pay taxes on the land and feel I deserve a break on my license.
3012	Make more tags available for non resident rifle for west river deer tags
3013	Non-resident hunting in SD is a joke. I have spoken with residents that have shot 5 or 6 deer in ONE season ... and I am still waiting after 5 or 6 years for A TAG of any kind on public land. Think of the increased revenue from out of state that is currently untapped, because you allow residents to kill multiple deer ... 6? a little high ... maybe 2 or 3 makes sense?
3014	I've hunted public land in SD for archery mule deer for the last 4 years. The only time I've ever seen other hunters was in Custer National Forest, which at the time was not restricted. Outside of Custer I've never seen other deer hunters. I love coming to the state to chase deer and have had great encounters with locals in town.
3015	South Dakota has become one of my favourite states to hunt. It creates opportunities for non-resident archery hunters to come and enjoy the beauty and great animals that SD has. Thank you for the great work
3016	I'm not in favor of the limited access permits for archery hunters. I hunted access permit areas before they were limited, and also after they were limited, and I have seen very little difference in the hunt quality and the hunting pressure, if any at all. I also would like to see the September portion of the archery season opened back up for public land hunting non-residents. As a non-resident, I certainly enjoy the cheaper license and tag fees (compared to most other states) but I would be ok with those fees being raised slightly.
3017	It is too hot to hunt deer in September.
3018	Hunting South Dakota for an out of state hunter, is truly a dream hunt. I wish deer processing options were more widespread. Is the requirement for boning out your meat still necessary? Also, it would be great to know the number of resident archery hunters that utilize public or walk in property. I know I would prefer to hunt public Sept 1 in South Dakota west river if at all possible. I believe it changed the year I started coming out to SD. Has this impacted in a noticeably positive way the hunting for residents? Or is it little impact?
3019	The number of archery hunters in the field for the last 5 years have increased. It would help with over crowding of hunters if you could access the walk in Parcels that are land locked and or a ten mile hike. Those Parcels that are land locked are worthless to be open to the public if the public can't get to them.
3020	I have had pretty good experiences during archery season out Wesr River and have ran into other hunters but not too many. However, I have noticed that deer numbers seem to be down so I would like license opportunities to follow deer populations to maintain healthy and abundant heards.
3021	Allow OTC crossbow hunters age 60 and over ability to purchase license. Not require a doctors statement reason for crossbow.
3022	Your state is doing a great job don't change anything
3023	I hunt east and west river each year! Your licenses are almost double of my out of state Wisconsin buck/bow license and antlerless there are \$20. In the past 4 years that I have hunted SD, I have passed up many bucks and have harvested 4 bucks and 2 does. It is more than 425 miles from my home in Minnesota to some of the areas I hunt in west river. I have left 6 tags open, because I love to hunt in your beautiful state! I stay with my brother in white lake, however; I spend a lot of money in your state when hunting! If you choose to cut license availability, I will spend my time and money hunting in Wisconsin as I have a cabin and 40 acres there and I have 80 acres where I live in Minnesota.
3024	Ask South Dakota residents how they would feel if they couldn't hunt public land for the first month of the open archery season in other states. They can come to my state and hunt same seasons as I can. I cannot do the same in south dakota
3025	I would like to see some whitetail doe tags offered to nonresident hunters. Some areas very over populated. Keep the herds in check
3026	I feel there needs to be more newly tags available around the blunt and pure area for archery and rifle I came from Nebraska used to be a South Dakota game fishing Parks employee and Nebraska's availability to shoot multiple tags for archery is non-restricted and very helpful

3027	Now that I'm a non resident it is really hard to apply to get a non resident tag, I checked the website every month since the last season waiting for application to drop but they didn't go on website until after public land tags were past due
3028	No actions should be made that will further limit non-resident hunting opportunities, as a non-resident I already have to wait until October 1st to begin hunting (giving an advantage to resident hunters). Majority of the time I am hunting federal land and limiting license opportunities just because I don't live in the state seems unfair.\\Consider adding a reciprocity program with neighboring states.
3029	I do not agree with forcing non-resident hunters to hunt private land only during the first month of the season. Non-residence are US citizens should be allowed to access Federal Land just like residents. I have paid hundreds of thousands of dollars of federal income tax in my lifetime. Banning us from Federal land for a large portion of the season isn't fair. I understand that game management but the idea that non-residents are not allowed to hunt national forest and blm for first month of season is ridiculous.
3030	As an individual who is a non-resident of the state of SD and has been hunting yearly for the past 5 years, I'm not entirely sure where the interest for limiting tags is coming from. I believe South Dakota to be one of the most overlooked states when it comes to whitetail hunting and have never noticed large numbers of archery hunters, resident or non-resident. Deer numbers always appear to be healthy, if not larger (and need more doe management). Of course, my opinion stems from the Tri country area of Codington, Day, and Clark counties.\\I will say, however, if the number of deer licenses proceeds to be limited to non-residents there need to be specific statements pertaining to those who are non-resident landowners/those who lease private land. I do not believe that those individuals aforementioned should be limited from drawing deer licenses like a typical non-resident. \\Finally, when comparing numbers stated at the beginning of the questionnaire, stating "30% increase of archery hunters in last 10 years" may be true on paper but inaccurately represents the ratio of hunters to land and deer numbers. An increase of 25,000 resident archery hunters to 30,000 over 10 years seems significant but is quite small compared to other states and certainly does not over-pressure the deer herds. Likewise, an increase of nonresident archery hunters from 2500 to almost 6000 is in fact nearly doubled. However, it's still only 6,000. The State of South Dakota has more than enough land and game to support these numbers of hunters.
3031	South Dakota will see fewer archery hunters this year 2022. CWD and Covid will have an effect on license sales.
3032	I would like to see nonresident archery hunters have the ability to hunt September 1st along with the resident hunters.
3033	Limit non-resident deer tags to give residents more opportunities on public lands.
3034	I have been hunting in South Dakota for several years and the rules and regulations have been great. I am an archery only hunter on private land I don't think going to a draw system with archery hunters is a good idea. The chance of harvesting animals while archery hunting is less than 10% and most years animals are not harvested.
3035	I believe that your current licensing is perfect!
3036	I don't think the September 1st opening day for residents only on public land is fair. Residents already get a huge advantage being from the area and knowing the deer and their habits. Waiting till October 1st for nonresidents is a shame especially on public land where we all share the same right to hunt public lands and would be nice if we could have the same rights at the same time. \\-Beau
3037	There are too many deer in city limits. Each city then hires people to come in and kill deer. Open up archery hunting in city limits. For example no hunting in Hot springs. Rapid City only allows a small amount of in the city limit hunting. Yet the city of rapid kills 200 plus Does every year. Let people hunt and stop making so many damn rules for everything.

3038	Get rid of the non resident private only tag. It doesn't give college kids who graduated and are staying in south dakota a chance to decide where they want to claim residency for the year or know their future plans. Plus find private land to hunt is damn near impossible and the places you find to hunt are pretty much public because your not the only person that got permission to hunt there. I think the tag allocation isn't a problem. There's a lot of bow hunters around brookings and eastern South dakota. Public land is hard to come by for deer hunting in general so limiting tags would help relieve that pressure but doesn't solve the problem
3039	SD is doing a great job. Maybe allow non-resident archery hunters to start hunting September 1 that only have access to public land only.
3040	I don't have any management ideas that would be worth investigating more deeply at this time.
3041	There is not alot of public land opportunities east of the black hills
3042	The number of hunters is a relevant fact, but bow hunting is a sport that should be able to be enjoyed by all that want to try. It should be more about limiting the number of game or the size or age of the game, that is taken each year, between archery or rifle. I've archery hunted South Dakota three years, have had many opportunities each year, I have really enjoyed each year, however, I have been very picky about what I shoot. This has resulted in me taking ZERO deer from the state of South Dakota. I plan to keep going and I plan to keep being picky - its a reason for me to get into the great outdoors!
3043	I have hunted the last few years around Hill City and have never seen another archer other than those in my own party.\Does seem like there is too many archers.
3044	If left over licenses are available make an optional tag for obtaining a public permit after the draw dead line for non resident hunters.
3045	Opening the month of September to non-resident archery hunters would spread out some of the density concerns across more of the season.
3046	Allow non resident archery tags to be bought OTC for both private and public land starting at state wide season opener sept 1. Fair playing field for everyone involved. Remove ability for landowners to close section line roads limiting access to PUBLIC land. If land is public it should be accessible by all.
3047	personally, i think SD does a great job with deer management. i think if anything they should limit the number of non resident rifle tags. an limit the land the non residents can hunt on with a Gun
3048	Allow crossbows to be used with no special permit Give the option that a Hunter of any legal age can go out with either his compound, recv or crossbow. And does not have to have any kind of medical disability handicap etc. I believe it will reduce deer that are wounded and not retrieved And increase revenue for the state.
3049	I strongly believe that the limited access permit areas should not be "free" I think too many hunters obtain them just to have and don't have any real motive to use it since it is free.\\I don't believe limiting the number of non-resident Archery tags will help. I think raising prices for tags will help keep the state competitive with surrounding states but still keep the accessibility.
3050	Archery permits should be on a special draw bases to limit the number of hunters. These hunters should be required to hunt in the specific unit they applied for only. Maybe break up the units by county.
3051	I really liked that you guys give your residents a week of hunting season before non residents have access. This was something that i wish kansas would do. Also enjoyed your laws about using ATV's on designated trails to access land
3052	I feel like the states resources, at least in the areas I hunt far exceeds demand. However I'm sure other areas may be different. I think the state of South Dakota has done an exceptional job of managing there deer heard.
3053	I believe we should make crossbows legal statewide for the archery season. We should provide avenues for successful hunts as much as possible.
3054	Thank you for your time and effort.
3055	I believe having a limited draw for archery is a good thing, specially for public land. Possibly if the quota is not met during archery season and it creates an issue with herd sizes in curtain areas maybe increasing the rifle season number of tags could help rectify that.

3056	Over the counter archery tags for non residents causes mule deer hunting opportunities to be overrun. Over the counter whitetail and stricter mule deer restrictions would be my preference. All other western states except Nebraska have a draw for non residents. SD is catching the overflow from other states and is being over hunted
3057	Iâ€™ve found it to be good the way it is. However, any more WILL be too many.
3058	I support what the science/SDGFP biologists conclude is the best for the deer populations. If going to a limited draw system for all areas or limiting the number of "OTC" tags a resident can get, then I support that.
3059	On our trip out there last year from MN, we ran into an very big problem with other hunters not having respect for the fact the someone is already in there and had 3 or 4 stalks messed up because people would just come walking in where the deer were. Maybe a possibility would be to have non-resident archery hunters pick a timeframe that they want to hunt and limit the amount of tags sold for those dates. Very good opportunities to find and harvest a deer, just disrespectful people.
3060	Please eliminate the time requirement to purchase a non-resident archery permit for public land and allow the purchase to happen at anytime like before.
3061	Allow for more than one archery tag. To many does that donâ€™t get harvested because most hunters are waiting for the big buck.
3062	I think having the option to purchase an antlerless only archery license would be beneficial. Whether if it was a separate lottery or over the counter, I think it would make hunters happy knowing they could harvest a doe as well as a buck during the archery season. Having the option as a nonresident to hunt does only during the muzzleloader season is great, but I also live in Minnesota so itâ€™s easy to drive a few hours multiple times each fall to hunt. If I only have one week to travel and hunt in South Dakota, having the option to shoot more than one deer would be really enticing.
3063	I am new to archery hunting in the past few years and I am pleased with the current options that the resident hunters get to choose from
3064	The time I archery deer hunted I saw zero other archery deer hunters.
3065	South Dakota has a great resource that is being very well managed in the current state, if non resident hunters do come to the state they are planning on average a few days of hunting before returning and not constant pressure
3066	The non-resident archery license having to be purchased by an early date or itâ€™s only valid on private land doesnâ€™t make sense. Just let people buy over the counter archery deer licenses statewide public and private any time if the deer populations support it
3067	I feel like there should be a draw for all archery deer licenses.
3068	Keep the any deer statewide tag for non resident once you make it a draw it will make more attention
3069	The cost for nonresident archery tags is the lowest of the western states and contributes to a significant increase in pressure on game, and a growing issue for resident hunters. Further limiting the amount of tags available to non resident hunters, and making prices comparable to other wester states should happen in order to either thin increasing pressure, or increase revenue for GFP from nonresidents utilizing our resources.
3070	I would like to see more opportunities for non residents. We spend the \$\$\$\$.
3071	I would rather get a tag every other year and have I higher quality hunt during archery season. I.E. less hunters and more deer for archery season would be better. A draw system with random odds may offer a solution to hunter dissatisfaction. Also as a NR the no archery hunting in September is a bit unreasonable, Iâ€™ve never seen another state set such a structure.
3072	Issues:\\1) Deer numbers are very low! I did see more deer than last year, but the numbers still need help. I suggest eliminating the killing of does and public/private collaborations to improve habitats. An antler point restriction might also help.\\2) Access. SD's public land access program should be expanded.
3073	BLM lands are over grazed. Better grazing management would be nice. It pushes mule deer to private.
3074	I think there should be a limited draw for non-resident archery deer
3075	SD, in my experience, was a fantastic place to deer hunt because there were so many deer that seemed to be everywhere I looked. I cannot wait to get back this year!

3076	Iâ€™m old school in thinking archery wasnâ€™t really a management tool more so a sport enjoyed more for the challenge.Iâ€™m thinking we will never get back there,what with technology and equipment making it so much more easily accomplished. Good luck! You will have need of that.
3077	South Dakota is a great hunting opportunity state. Appreciate what you all do!
3078	You are all doing a great job. I am new to archery and patiently waiting for my first shot. Itâ€™s not easy. Keep up the good work sdgfp
3079	Open Archery hunting to non residents in September again.
3080	I do not like the fact that non-resident mule deer archery hunters have to wait until Oct. 1 to hunt public land. It provides a small window to plan a archery deer hunt in decent fall weather.
3081	It would be nice if SDGF&P afforded non-resident archers some of the same opportunities that residents are allowed. Personally, it costs me a substantial amount of money (license fee, fuel, lodging, food, misc.) to travel to hunt in South Dakota, and it has felt in recent years that non-resident archers are being unfairly targeted/restricted despite making major contributions to local, small-town economies as a result of our hunting in South Dakota.
3082	I have seen hardly any other hunters when hunting on public land in all areas of the state. I'm thinking maybe if people put in as much effort hunting as complaining there would be a lot more success stories!!!
3083	Iâ€™ve hunted strictly public land for two seasons, successfully filled my tags, and never ran into another hunter other than someone in my party.
3084	It is hard to get access to hunt on private land so I wouldnâ€™t think you need to regulate that differently. I can see that some public spots might get a lot of pressure, maybe divide into more zones to control the numbers.
3085	Extended seasons for youth and mentor hunters
3086	Let Nonresident archery hunters start on public land at the beginning of season.
3087	By allowing opportunities for non-resident hunters, it provides for more tax dollars to come into the state.
3088	Are the number of hunters, whether resident or nonresident, adversely effecting the deer herd? In other words, the survey indicated an increase in hunter participation during a designated time period. However, there is no corresponding data provided that indicates that the deer herd has thereby been negatively impacted. The health of the deer herd should be the primary goal. If over-harvest is a documented concern, then, by all means, discuss tag allocation accordingly. I understand that game management largely tends to be people-management. And, what hunter doesn't want it all to themselves? I sure would. But, that is not reasonable, fair, nor practical.
3089	The restriction on nonresident archery hunters on public land until October 1st is extremely biased and unfair considering many of the lands are federal lands. State biologists have said that September archery hunting on public lands is not highly pressured. That the increased pressure on public lands is usually during the November rut.
3090	I live in Missouri & I am curious about the white tail population in South Dakota. Even though the amount of bow hunters have increased, has it effected the white tail population? Is the population increasing / decreasing / stagnant? Felt as though I needed additional information regarding the current population situation to provide solid responses to the survey.\\I am hoping to return to South Dakota for a future white tail hunt after an amazing, initial experience several years ago!
3091	I am a relocated South Dakota resident from Florida. I like the current system and do not see any need to change anything at this time other than I would like to see more nonresident tags for immediate family so that my father and brothers could enjoy South Dakota as I get to.

3092	I live and hunt in Southern Moody County, and there is walk in land less than a mile from me. EVERY year it is over populated with people from the Dell Rapids area, which is less than 5 minutes from the ground. When they don't get the spot they want, they cruise the backroads looking around. This happens every year. This also messes up mine and my neighbors hunts, it causes the deer to not move as they normally do. I also did not get a rifle tag this year, and neither did a few of my neighbors. But yet people from Minnehaha county did get one for Moody county. That needs to be corrected. Minnehaha county is flooding Moody county with hunters. That walk in land is a festering problem. Archery season, and rife season is a pain in the butt around here, people shooting at anything that moves. I worry about bringing my kids outside because of all the bullets flying around all day, every day from that walk in area. TOO many hunters, archery and rifle.
3093	I would like to see there be 3 statewide archery tag options. 1 Any Whitetail and antlered Mule Deer, 1 Any Whitetail, and 1 antlerless whitetail. I would also like to see the ATV roads closed during hunting seasons.
3094	I've only hunted South Dakota 1 time on private land through a guide service. There was in my opinion plenty of opportunities for whitetail and mule deer.
3095	I would say if you have a east and west any deer archery tag, you might as well eliminate the east and west and make the statewide limited to 2 tags that let you take a antlered deer. One being a Any deer tag but no mule deer doe restriction, and the other being Whitetail only tag. \\Also, how about creating a Season Choice tag that would allow the tag of Any Deer with archery, White tail only with rifle, and White tail only for muzzleloader. With this tag you would only be able to shoot one deer. The tag however could be a 75 dollar tag which allows you to shoot one deer and would have to follow the regulation for which firearm you would be using.
3096	I think getting a tag for deer or antelope should be easier! I bought a archery antelope tag and I ended up waiting for my tag in the mail and couldn't hunt antelope. The season was open for 2 weeks until I finally received my tag. People shouldn't have to wait a whole month to receive a tag. I'm originally from Washington state and when buying tags in that state you go to sporting good stores to buy all your tags not this online stuff. What I'm trying to say is buying tags on online can be difficult because paperwork gets messed up or lost. Something needs to change with the online stuff, it's not running very smoothly.
3097	The state has different programs to work with land owners to allow hunting on private land. It's a horrible mess as there is very very few places you can public land hunt anymore without 10 million guys on it. You absolutely need to get your act in gear getting more landowners on board to allow access. And you brag about the acres that you already have that allows the public onto private, yet when you get to the private ground so much of it is baron of any cover it's completely useless to any Hunter! The landowner is just pocketing taxpayers money and the game and fish department is putting themselves on the back for lining up acres the person can't even hunt on! It forces all the guys on to the few good areas with habitat and Game! You really do a horrible job in that area and brag about doing a good job! Nobody else thinks you do a good job except yourselves! Pretty pathetic and you should be ashamed and all fired! \\Just like no longer releasing a pheasant count each year? What a scam! All just so you can sell more licenses without telling people how terrible the hunting is for pheasants in South Dakota, especially on public land!!
3098	Keep archery hunters access as open as possible.
3099	As a nonresident, an archery license is my only opportunity to hunt deer on our families private land. I would love to have an opportunity for nonresidents to have a chance at a rifle tag. Otherwise I don't have any thoughts about changes to archery seasons
3100	I think the non resident hunting system should go to a draw system similar to Iowa, there is a reason Iowa is known for big bucks, South Dakota could be as well if that structure was followed, the increase in resident bow hunters is trending with the increase of population of the state
3101	I generally only archery hunt, mostly North of Belle Fourche and I think there is a lot of challenge in archery and I don't mind locals getting out there, but I see a lot of non residents out camping on walk in hunting spots that restricts locals, there already appears to be less animal population in the BLM and walk in areas I can hunt without non residents causing congestion and camping in spots where everyone should be able to hunt.
3102	Make nonresident archery tags available later in the year for public lands. Very hard to spend 350 dollars in April when plans can change for hunting season.

3103	I have hunted in SD for the past few years and I am from Minnesota. I have not taken a deer yet but have had multiple opportunities but have not as I have been trophy hunting. It is my only vacation and I love everything about SD hunting. I see a lot of deer, the people are nice, and I can simply buy my archery license online for an affordable price. I hunt East River on private land.
3104	The extreme limitation on access permits to the Hill Ranch has been a big disappointment to me and my family. We had started a tradition of going there for a family trip, and now we are unable to do that. \Sadly, we probably wonâ€™t be buying licenses in SD anymore in the near future. \The hunting pressure was very limited in early November from our perspective, but I do understand having premium hunting units with limited hunter opportunity.\We will miss it for sure.
3105	It shouldnâ€™t matter how many hunters you have, in fact with the push for R3 and more hunters it seems like youâ€™re in a good spot. I wouldnâ€™t worry unless success rates for archery hunters start to increase drastically. The states job is protecting the resource, not caring what a select few loud individuals want.
3106	Hello. I hunted the area around Lemmon, SD in 2020. There is a ton of public land in that area but the deer are on about 10% of the land. The vast majority of the land is grazing land for cattle and had almost no value to the deer herd. Because of this, all the hunters were hunting the same areas every day which made it feel like the hunting pressure was extremely high. I know that cattle grazing on the land won't change but there simply was not enough deer habitat to enjoy a hunt without running into many other hunters. Thanks.
3107	Although I am a non resident hunter I feel a option for additional tags for non resident hunters would be beneficial. Add additional tags and a time line for resident archery hunters to purchase them. After the date is reached any leftover goes to first come first serve non residents as additional licenses.
3108	While glassing in public lands I have seen a surplus of out of state archery hunters and it is unfortunate to have to compete with the out of state individuals, Iâ€™ve also bared witness to open gates, trash left behind by non residents.
3109	The Angostura Reservoir this year has changed and unfortunately my group cannot get a access pass. That area has more whitetail doe than anywhere I have ever hunted, and few mule deer.
3110	I have hunted archery mule deer in 2020 and 2021, and will be hunting in 2022 as well. In 20 and 21 I had several occasions where my hunt was altered negatively by other hunters, which is part of the public land game. However, archery hunting in the west is gaining extreme popularity and will only continue to grow. I would suggest determining a max amount of tags you are willing to sell. "First come first serve".
3111	In my opinion the issue isn't that there's too many hunters. I think there's a lack of quality deer habitat, quality deer, public land, and public land access. One of my biggest challenges was accessing places to hunt. Most of the time pieces of public land were locked in by private property and the land owners wanted trespass and trophy fees. Another issue I had was the lack of bucks! I speculate I must have seen 20 does for every buck! And those bucks were spikes or fork horns. \I think if SD opened more private locked pieces of public, and did away with the "no net gain" policies that plague western states there's would be FAR less belly aching about to many archery hunters.
3112	Possibly opening nonresident season in September instead of October could cut down on hunter density.
3113	I would like to get access to 35L before I have to buy my License. Instead of buying my license then failing to draw 35L and then having to find a new place to hunt
3114	South Dakota is a well managed state in my opinion. I wish my home state of MN would start adopting a few regulations from SD. Example: limit number of non-resident rifle hunters.
3115	Allow nonresidents again to hunt public land Sept. 1st. Giving more time allowed to hunt and perhaps be successful. Very hard to get any permission on private these days. Have spent time talking with farmers and shed hunting but not open to hunters or have outfitters already paying them.
3116	Custer National Forest limited access is wonderful, however why are non-residents given the disadvantage of starting a month later than residents on NATIONAL forest land? If the upward trend of licenses sold continues past 5,000 NR or 40,000 total licenses, limited draw tag should be administered. Or if deer or antelope numbers drop too low then limited draw tags should be put into effect.
3117	do not go to a point system.....if you limit license do a pure draw each year with no PP's

3118	I am a nonresident hunter & I appreciate the opportunity to Archery hunt in South Dakota so much. I hunt in the Britton area on public land only in the beginning of November & see almost zero bow hunters. Please don't eliminate nonresident tags
3119	Everything seems good and balanced to me
3120	It's not broke, don't try and fix it
3121	The simpler the system is the better.
3122	Only hunted for 2 years has been good I am a resident now!
3123	The opportunity to archery hunt SD the way it is now as an OTC tag is what makes SD hunting great. Instead of limiting licenses, more focus should be spent on increasing public hunting access.
3124	Stop Making non-residents buy public land archery tags by April. That is ridiculous. Give them a chance to see why other tags and states they drew. They may draw a west river or hills tag and decide not to hunt archery. I have ran into archery hunters that only came because they were forced to buy a tag so early but they didn't want to waste it. Just seems ridiculous that they have to purchase 3 months after last season ended.
3125	Private land Should have one either sex permit one license all seasons one deer and be able to purchase additional doe permits. Should apply to residence and non-residence.
3126	In order to maintain a healthy herd, there needs to be far fewer whitetail in SD then there is at present. At the same I will also say that WEEKEND HUNTING is the problem as far as complaints/pressure goes. How about issuing M-F tags and issuing fewer Say/Sun tags?? Just thinking outside the box here.
3127	Stop allowing paid hunting and you would solve all of these problems. If nothing else for those who want to do paid hunting force them to do it on there own land ad end the renting of hunting rights from other land owners or force them to let one non paid hunter to hunt there land for every paid hunter.Crack down on the paid hunters that are hunting on public land. Paid hunting has completely ruined hunting for all hunters who aren't land owners. One final idea don't allow any out of stat hunter to hub public lands.
3128	Thank you for the opportunity to hunt in your state. We feel it is a great privilege and will continue to hunt with great respect of your beautiful land.
3129	Hunters need to have better access on section line roads \Too many farmers are blocking access to public lands by farming the roads out\The farmers then sue you for crop damage ; even though they are the people destroying the road \This my be addressed and amended
3130	The state offer left over tags with the intent of reducing deer population. Archery hunting offers more option to harvest deer than rifle, thus potentially increasing harvest and achieving population reduction. If people are complaining of archery high density in certain areas, look to those areas for limited permit alternatives. Harvest population goals should not be based on trophy harvest options.
3131	opening Mule deer season and rifle antelope season was a mess for me a my party last year for non-res.
3132	Any restriction or addition to hunting opportunities should be based on game surveys/populations as performed by game and fish biologists and harvest reporting.
3133	Lottery system is trash. The whole concept and preference points is a damn money scheme. Then yall tach on a \$10 fee for every other thing you want to do. It's pathetic. Yall are so far off from where you should be. And here you are wanting input to constrict hunters more. If you are going to put anyone first, it should be military personnel. Without them, nobody would be able to freely hunt at all. Change your rules. They are trash.
3134	Your regs are very complicated in my opinion. You should find ways to simplify them. Maybe have some new hunters or non- hunters review them for understand-ability.
3135	Do not ever consider a draw system. The amount of archery tags handed out is well balanced now.
3136	Allow tags to be printed at locations instead of waiting a week for tag to arrive via mail. Or a digital tag.
3137	Keep current private land license in place. Many out of state hunters are hunting family land that doesn't qualify for landowner tags
3138	As a non resident, I like it the way it is.

3139	Fix the website to show exactly how many preference points are needed to draw any given tag vs. just greater than a certain number
3140	I am a nonresident hunter who enjoys hunting for white tailed deer in the black hills national forest. I would appreciate your consideration of more opportunities for nonresident hunting on a wide variety of public lands in your beautiful state.
3141	Thanks for the your willingness to ask our opinion. Far to many public land hunters in the NW corner of the state. Mostly antelope. Limiting public land tags west river archery would be a huge step in the right direction for nonresidents. thanks again
3142	So far, as a more recent inductee into the hunting world, I don't see too many hunter's early in the season (primarily Sept). However, come Oct, some public lands appear to be overrun. Rifle season, tons are out there... all going for the big buck. I go out the second week, not looking for trophies. This increases my opportunities. Overall, I'm enjoying my hunting experiences and have already harvested my west river deer.
3143	Last year hunting the only time I saw other hunters was when there was an over lap of rifle season and archery season.
3144	MOVE THE STATEWIDE NON RESIDENT ARCHERY DRAW TO MATCH FIRST DRAW RIFLE DATE.
3145	Make it legal to use bow sights that have built in range finders such as the Garmin Xero sights. This would ensure clean and ethical kills when archery hunting.
3146	I think the way things are done right now are fine and should be left alone.
3147	Stop using hunting as a revenue generator. Selling animals (by the tag) is not what hunting was meant to be about. "Any Deer" archery tag availability is one of the few redeeming qualities of SD hunting...don't mess with that arrangement.
3148	Personal as a nonresident not being able to hunt till October that parallels rifle antelope season is awful and dangerous. All deer have been chased on privately owned land where you can see hundreds of deer, or you are dodging bullets being flung around by careless hunters.
3149	Would love to be able to purchase a supplemental doe only archery tag on top of my either sex archery tag. Doe to buck ratio is crazy high.
3150	As a non resident while bow hunting last year in Gregory County I went 7 days straight without seeing another bow hunter on the walk in land that I was hunting. It was a wonderful experience. I think the amount of tags should be kept as it is. I saw a ton of deer but didn't get an opportunity to harvest one and still had some of the best hunting I've ever done.
3151	I have hunted many states, public and private, and have many great private tracks in Oklahoman to hunt. I have never seen such rich and healthy deer and deer habitat that I saw in South Dakota. You should be proud of your accomplishments. Have your deer numbers increased at the same rate or more than the archery numbers? \ I applaud you on the increase in hunters and hope that changes contemplated will not be an attempt to fix something that is not broken. \ Thank you for the opportunity to enjoy your state.
3152	I really like the current set up as an out of state hunter. Gives people opportunities to meet land owners and help control the deer population in their respective counties. I have meet many landowners over the years who have granted me access to thousands of new acres to hunt.
3153	As a non resident archery hunter that is out there the 1st 8-9 days of opening archery season I have not once came across another deer hunter. Myself and 3 other guys from Michigan hunt South Dakota archery every year now and the only other hunters we have ever come across are resident antelope hunters and even then there only driving by and stop and ask if we've seen anything because they never leave their trucks. I should add that we hunt 100% public land and only public land.
3154	Allow more bonus antlerless archery licenses to include James River valley area

3155	As a non resident hunter I appreciate being able to hunt in South Dakota deer without a having to enter into a lengthy lottery process. I think the limited entry areas that are already established are wonderful to limit access to those areas and I have no problem apply every year to try to obtain one. To me seeing hunter numbers grow is something that we should encourage to see the sport thrive and to continue the heritage of hunting. Public access to hunt is the staple of the North American hunting model and restricting archery tags and access to public lands cuts against the core of that model. With harvest statistics rather low for most units I don't see the harm in maintaining the current system as it already is. I hope I get to continue to enjoy hunting in the great state of South Dakota in the future
3156	I wish as a nonresident I could purchase a license later in the season. It's hard to know if it works to hunt that early in the season.
3157	Last season, in 2021, my buddy and I hunted South Dakota for the first time. The hunting was phenomenal. We saw plenty of deer and experienced friendly interactions with other hunters. We firmly believe the public land hunting is much more enjoyable in South Dakota than in Oklahoma. We live in Oklahoma and experience some serious pressure on public lands. I would like to see South Dakota remain the same with the draw system. The only thing I would like to see changed is the nonresident season opening up a little earlier. Even if it was in the middle of September, roughly two weeks after the residents season opening, that would make it more enjoyable.
3158	Bucks most have at least 4 points on each side
3159	Opportunities to hunt western big game for everyday blue collar people are getting fewer and fewer. The ability for me as a nonresident to be able to go and hunt a western game species such and mule deer or elk is being restricted year after year by more and more states. Increases in price and the amount preference points needed to even get a license is rising every year in MOST western states. It seems to me the way things are going only the people with deep pockets will be able to get tags before too long. I would really hate to see that day. I believe as long as the harvest numbers are sustainable to a healthy population we should expand hunter opportunity rather than restrict it. I have every right as an American to be able to pursue big game anywhere in America on public lands that my tax dollars go to maintaining. To restrict my ability to use federal lands that are purchased and maintained through federal taxes is an infringement on my hunting rights in my opinion.
3160	Need to limit tags to non-residents. We CHOOSE to live in SD!
3161	Give out less rifle tags I feel like there were so many leftover this year
3162	I think SD is doing a great job managing the deer population. The population is plenty for hunting and having encounters with, yet there is enough population control going on throughout the state that there is evidence of succession taking place in the forested areas. To me, this indicates the population is not over its carrying capacity and it's not too low where there isn't enough game to hunt and draw in revenue from both resident and non resident hunters. I do like the idea of the "draw" application that must be submitted in early spring to be able to hunt public land. It calls for advanced preparation on the behalf of the hunter, making the hunter safer, and ultimately more ethical for the both the hunter and deer.
3163	2021 was the first time ever hunting SD. I thoroughly enjoyed the experience without harvesting a deer. That is the reason for returning. The input I provided is obviously based on limited experience in SD but I feel your management is very good.
3164	I think the last couple years is a bad sample of what nonresident numbers are. In last couple year with Covid all states have seen a increase in numbers, but now that Covid has settled down I believe these nonresident numbers will decrease in coming years. I love hunting South Dakota. Thank you.

3165	<p>Firstly the questions and answer choices in this survey are not going to provide the department with meaningful information. What hunter is going to say that there are too few hunters in an area?? The statistics and increases in archery hunter numbers is similar to my home state of Arizona. My solution for South Dakota would be the same; restrict the technology allowed for archery equipment. The modern equipment coupled with rangefinders makes archery success rates way higher than they have previously been with more traditional archery tackle; what this does is cause more people to buy archery licenses because it is now so much easier to kill a deer with the new technologies. I'd suggest limiting rangefinders as the best option that will allow for ample hunting opportunities that can maintain liberal seasons and higher numbers of hunters while having minimal impact on the resource (deer population) also, restricting access to public land especially federal public land such as the black hills is a terrible idea.</p>
3166	<p>Is this survey about controlling the deer herd or about controlling the number of hunters?? That is why I picked "no opinion" on most questions. What are the deer numbers, where do you want the deer numbers? Don't restrict hunters, both resident or non resident, if deer numbers are high and need to be brought down. Don't restrict non residents based on residents complaining they see too many out of state license plates in public hunting parking areas. Every state hears same complaint. Non residents already pay much higher license fees than residents. They should be able to hunt public land. It comes back to same question, what are the deer numbers, and do you need numbers brought down or not? So my question is, what is the purpose of these questions. The answers to the survey questions should have nothing to do with license and access topics. Because you'll always have residents complaining about non residents and vice versa. No matter what state your in. Set your license and access structure based on deer herd management data, not from who whines the loudest.</p>
3167	<p>Non-resident archery deer hunters should not have to wait until Oct. 1st to hunt on public land, especially on federal lands.</p>
3168	<p>The pandemic played a large part in the increased. Hopefully that will reduce numbers in the future and things go back to normal.</p>
3169	<p>As I see it , I would expect most hunters would prefer less competition (other hunters) as a general rule .\Regardless of actual deer populations or hunter density.\And I'm sure if you look at the answers to should there be less out of state hunters 99% are going to say yes .\If your going to start reducing out of state archery licensing. I'd ask that you make provisions for landowners (who might reside out of state) to be able to get licenses , as you do for firearm season .\As I would fall in that category.</p>
3170	<p>I've just started hunting in SD, this year will be out second. Our first year was a great learning experience. We are looking forward to this year!!!</p>
3171	<p>With a bit over 5,000 nonresident deer tags, a small number compared to many other states. It would be nice to see expanded seasons for nonresidents. It might help with overcrowding in some areas f nonresidents have the same season structure as residents.</p>
3172	<p>South Dakota does a fantastic job with the game and fish. It is a wonderful state to give the opportunity for out of state hunters the chance to harvest deer with a bow.</p>
3173	<p>Love hunting in SD. Will only be my second year but i like the opportunities and the landscape.</p>
3174	<p>I really like the tag allocation system that currently stands. The opportunity to draw in other states is way harder and more costly. There seemes to be plenty of room to fill a tag as long as a person knows where to look and is determined</p>
3175	<p>Do you have any special hunts for seniors, and preference points and bonus points</p>
3176	<p>The number of deer in the Black Hills NF is too many. This is proven by the CWD that went around last year. It may be under control this year as I have seen fewer deer. If we are not going to increase the number taken every year, I feel we should consider legalizing feeders as a way to help grow bigger deer and administer medication during an outbreak. This will not eliminate CWD but should minimize it by having healthier animals with better immune systems.</p>
3177	<p>Not very many mule deer in last yrs hunt we hunted north of Wall and hardly seen any mule deer! It was a disappointment for our hunt</p>

3178	I didn't have enough information to make an informed decision on the number or type of hunter on any given piece of land. It seems the current system is working well, as far as I can tell, other than the fact that there should be a cap on the number of licenses sold per year. I believe there are many considerations as to what could happen with Hunter densities and harvest rates if things are changed as proposed. In my arm chair biologist opinion, this is definitely a topic that is worth re-evaluation every 3 years, or sooner if the number of licenses being sold dramatically increases or the harvest becomes significant.
3179	Offering a combo buck and doe tag to manage whitetail does on private land.
3180	NONE
3181	SD is lucky to have as many hunters as it does, the restrictions in many states chase away younger hunters who would like to hunt. I do wish that the fish and game would put out better maps with the brochure so we can find hunting areas easier as it is very hard to define what the different areas are without looking everywhere for that info both small game, waterfowl and big game is all over the place.
3182	Archery hunter success rates are low and don't impact deer populations the way rifle hunters do. these cry baby residents don't understand this. I have hunted SD for a few years all private land and have not taken a deer by my choice. I've seen plenty of deer and either passed on immature deer or didn't get close enough for an ethical shot. Most bow hunters are the same as I am. This is really a dead issue I think. Stop the crying I enjoy being in the South Dakota outdoors don't take it away from me! The all state tag is great I've hunted both sides of the river and love it. Take it away I will go to another state next year to hunt
3183	I believe that it could potentially benefit the mature whitetail population statewide to restrict certain hunt areas to exclusively archery or reinstate a 4 points or better for antlered whitetails in the Hills. Too many deer are taken prematurely every year limiting the opportunity for deer with good genetics to get into their prime.
3184	The reason I come to SD to archery hunt is because it's one of the few states I can come to without the hassle of having to go through a long process of preference points and taking years to get there similar to the state of Wyoming. Eventually due to greed, jealousy and politics I fear SD will change as well or we wouldn't be having this survey. I do believe public land should be limited to a certain number of hunters but private land not as much. You either have permission to be there or not. Unfortunately, after working for the DNR for 25 yrs in NC I know that politics will prevail, and sound wildlife practices will not.
3185	Legalize crossbows
3186	I have access to Private land as an out of state hunter. Not saying I wouldn't use the public access land if needed but I feel as an out of state hunter paying the higher tag price I want the best odds I can give myself while allowing the best opportunity for fellow hunters(in state or out of state). So, I stick to the private land available to me and leave public land to those who need it.
3187	Don't ## up the one good thing about South Dakota it's good the way it is lazy hunters who don't want to travel or put in work in harder units are the ones complaining! yeah numbers have gone up but has your deer population went down? I doubt it
3188	I apologize for not having any more info for you, I hunt SD on private land and it's only my second year. The guy I hunt with only takes 12-16 hunters a year and it's archery only. I love coming to SD I look forward to it all year.
3189	I think you should go back to nonresidents starting the same day residents start.
3190	Better enforcement of stand regulations. Often see them up in a restricted time of year.
3191	Don't take opportunity away from resident hunters. The residents should have all the opportunities available to them and restrict non residents.
3192	I enjoy hunting in west South Dakota last year I hope I can come back soon far as I consider y'all are doing well on your management up there
3193	I'm from Texas and love hunting in your great state on private land and hope I can continue to hunt in South Dakota without having to go through any kind of draws.