

| #  | Species       | MUs          | Proposal   | Suggested by                 | Proponent's rationale  |
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| 1  | All spp       | Province     | Restrict power / zoom technology on scopes to limit kill distance or 50 caliber rifles | Holger                       | Long distance kills (up to 1000 m) are dangerous, unfair to wildlife and may increase hunter success dramatically.   |
| 2  | All spp       | 433          | Create no shooting zone in Upper Arrow drawdown zone                                   | BC Hydro                     | Complaints of people discharging firearms close to houses.   |
| 3  | Bighorn sheep | 402, 422     | GOS to LEH for residents in 422 (for Bull River herd)                                  | Wildlife staff               | Over 3% HR on Bull River herd. Approx. 40% declines in Bull River and Galtons. Watch harvest rate in the rest of 422 and consider expanding LEH in the future. Return to GOS if/when population increases. |
| 4  | Bighorn sheep | 415/16       | Close LEH on Syringa herd  | Wildlife staff               | Herd likely no longer exists as none observed this winter and only 12 observed last year.  |
| 5  | Black bear    | Province     | Remove requirement to retrieve edible portions   | Trail/WKBGTA                 | Could help lower bear populations.   |
| 6  | Bobcat        | Region       | Increase bobcat harvest  | Trail/WKBGTA                 | Increase bobcat hunting opportunity due to high bobcat cycle in the West Kootenay.   |
| 7  | Cougar        | East side of | Extend season to Feb 28, no female bag limit   | Southern guides              | Increase harvest of cougar.  |
| 8  | Cougar        | Province     | Reduce costs of cougar tags and increase provincial bag limit to 3                     | Trail/WKBGTA                 | Increase cougar harvest in areas with minimal harvest.   |
| 9  | Elk           | 414          | Add a cow/calf LEH or GOS to address agricultural issues (Nov - March)                 | Edgewood landowners          | Reduce crop depredation.   |
| 10 | Elk           | WK           | Shorten 6-point season (close on Oct 5 instead of Oct 20)                              | Southern guides              | Concerns with Bull:cow ratios and calf recruitment. Concerns about impacts of use/access on habitat. Maintains GOS.  |
| 11 | Elk           | Trench       | Close spike bull season (Sept 10-19)   | Southern guides/hunters      | Increase bull to cow ratios.   |
| 12 | Elk           | EK           | Open bull elk season in mid-October  | Hunter                       | Align with other states and provinces. Avoid hunting during rut.   |
| 13 | Elk           | Elk Valley   | Change antlerless elk LEH zone in Elk Valley   | Southern Guides Sparwood F&W | Increase elk population. Reduce harvest on migratory elk.  |
| 14 | Elk           | Region       | Shorten 6-point season (close on Oct 10 instead of Oct 20)                             | Southern guides              | Reduce harvest on migratory elk. Not all outfitters support.   |
| 15 | Elk           | WK           | Cancel 6-point GOS and open LEH  | Trail/WKBGTA                 | Increase WK elk population. Create a higher quality hunt.  |

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| 16 | Elk          | Region       | Open a GOS for senior hunters for 6-point or better bulls from Sept 1-9 | Trail/<br>WKBGTA     | Increase hunting opportunity for seniors. Provide a quality hunt with less competition in the field. Small percentage of senior hunters. Increase hunter retention. Sept 1-9 already caters to special interest group (bow hunters).   |
| 17 | Elk          | Zone 408C    | Close LEH for antlerless elk  | Trail/<br>WKBGTA     | Huge decline in WK elk population?   |
| 18 | Elk/moose    | Province     | Change bag limit to one elk or one moose                                | Trail/<br>WKBGTA     | One hunter doesn't need that much meat.  |
| 19 | Goat         | 423          | Create additional LEH subzone Mt Bleasdel                               | Irene                | Logging and road construction has increased and concentrated success.  |
| 20 | Goat         | 426          | Create no goat LEH zone Mt Allen  | Irene                | Very small somewhat isolated herd of goats.  |
| 21 | Goat         | 436          | Re-establish LEH unit for 4-36A   | Irene                | Very high harvest in 2015. Safety issue parking on highway. Close to Golden. Local COs support.  |
| 22 | Grizzly bear | 427, 429     | June 1st closing date for grizzly bear season in MUs 4-27 and 4-29      | Bear viewing company | Conflict between bear viewing and hunting.   |
| 23 | Grizzly bear | 406 to 409   | Open new grizzly bear LEH zones in WK                                   | Trail/<br>WKBGTA     | Increase grizzly bear hunting opportunity where populations have increased. More bear sightings and incidentals.   |
| 24 | Lynx         | 403-405, 420 | Curb harvest and shift season back two weeks (hunting, trapping?)       | EKTA                 | Overharvest concerns. Hunter harvest has risen due to extended early lynx season. Past management practices have been based on past harvest levels. Harvest levels have risen by hunters due to extended early season. There is no scientific data available to continue further harvest practices. Our trapper AGM had a number of topics for discussion lynx being one. A motion was put forward and voted on by the 40 trappers in attendance and the vote was unanimous in favour. |
| 25 | Moose        | Region       | Close spike bull season   | Sparwood F&W         | Recovery moose populations.  |
| 26 | Mule deer    | EK           | Close any buck season for youth and archery                             | Sparwood F&W         | Return mule deer populations to past numbers.  |
| 27 | Mule deer    | Region       | Shorten mule deer buck season (Sept 10 - Oct 31)                        | Trail/<br>WKBGTA     | Mule deer meat during rut isn't good for sustenance.   |

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| 28 | Turkey            | Region   | Liberalize seasons to address problem turkeys. Long winter season on private land? Either sex, increase bag limit. GOS on private land? | Wildlife staff/landowners throughout region | Preferable to kill permits. Concerns about turkey impacts on landowners and to native wildlife.   |
| 29 | Turkey            | Region   | Increase spring turkey bag limit to 2 toms  | Trail/WKBGTA                                | Increasing turkey population in the West Kootenay. Provide additional hunting opportunity.  |
| 30 | White-tailed deer | Region   | Close doe season  | Bow hunters                                 | Concerns with reduction in WT numbers, overwinter mortality and high predator numbers.  |
| 31 | White-tailed deer | Region   | Close doe season  | Southern guides<br>Trail Sparwood           | Increase white-tailed deer population and fawn recruitment.   |
| 32 | White-tailed deer | Region   | Shorten buck season   | Sparwood F&W                                | Combine with no doe season to encourage resurgence of white-tailed deer population.   |
| 33 | White-tailed deer | Region   | Close December archery season   | Southern guides                             | To eliminate the harvest of female whitetail deer and to reduce the pressure placed on whitetail deer in December to allow deer to prepare for a long Kootenay winter.  |
| 34 | White-tailed deer | 438/439  | Lengthen season through the winter for both sexes   | Wildlife staff                              | Reduce white-tailed deer to benefit caribou   |
| 35 | Wolf              | Province | Ban use of snares Apr 1 - Nov 30  | Bob Faiers                                  | Most trappers are finished trapping and the season closure is March 31 anyone trapping past this point is not trapping for quality fur but just pest removal (under 1100 m in EK ). This would ensure incidentally caught wildlife would have the best recovery possible. |
| 36 | Wolf              | 406, 407 | Expand no closed season for trapping to MUs 4-6 and 4-7, to align with hunting season.  | Wildlife staff                              | Caribou conservation, makes sense to align hunting and trapping no closed seasons for wolves  |
| 37 | Wolf              | Province | Solid wolf trap anchors   | Bob Faiers                                  | Use of solid anchors for wolf traps so incidentally trapped bears pull out instead of escaping with the trap  |
| 38 | Wolf              | Province | No closed season  | Sparwood F&W                                | Increase ungulates. Maintain migratory behaviour.   |
| 39 | Wolf              | Region   | No bag limit for wolves   | Trail/WKBGTA                                | Increase hunting opportunity and help control increasing wolf populations in the Kootenays.   |

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| 40 | Wolverine | Region | Close trapping or shorten season | Mowat        | Population small (based on recent inventory) and high risk of overharvest. |