

After viewing Darren DeBloois' presentation:

I am neutral on the amendments and recommendations.

Do you have any additional comments about the black bear rule amendments or recommendations?

What are the legislative requirements? Sounds like they are requiring fish and Wildlife and Natural Resources to make a profit and fill the pockets for the legislatures. Sounds like profiteering rather than what conservation and what the department is supposed to represent. I wanted nothing more than to work in fish and Wildlife and Natural resources but now it makes me sick to see what is being done. It looks very undesirable. Who is holding the reins? Case in point for misappropriation just to make a point: to make money and appease the eyes of people is like building too narrow animal overpasses for herds that can't pass, building high fences to block a high density of migratory animals from migrating, or allowing rich people to get the green light to build where they should not and blocking off sensitive winter rangeland and or corridors for threatened animals from growing. So who's to blame and what are you guys doing? Sounds like a blind good ol boys club to even get a job or do the right thong. Why are people littering and not being charged? I help animals when they are trapped by trash and in harm. I also am a hunter. Saying one thing and doing another is two different things. Thanks and I hope you make the right choice for the bears , all animals, but not for the holed pockets of the profiteering legislature and the idiotic people who like to think you can go pet a baby animal in front of it's mother. Its a no win situation. Don't waste utah? I see waste and littering. Clean air act? I see trashy air. People respecting Mother Nature? They have no clue and are being given the green light to what they should not. What happened about the future of our children's children's and generations to come? For now, I have to live with what people of the past did. Thanks for your time. A homeless vet who went to war for you all. You can find me at the VA homeless shelter.

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We don't have a predator problem we have a lets sell As many tags as possible problem. look at the deer herd just a few years ago you guys said deer numbers were doing so well so so you increased tags and its been a slow decline ever since then but you blame it on a drought year the mountains are over ran with everything from to many hunters and way to many livestock there was hardley a blade of grass left on the boulder after mid June and every water hole was bone dry and surrounded by hundred of cattle and sheep no wonder all of our deer and elk move down into urban areas thats where the feed is but hey lets give out as many cow tags as possible and kill every last one of em I don't Mean to sound hostile but I spend more time on that particular unit than most and nothing that goes on on that unit has ever been in the best interest of the wildlife or us sportsmen

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December 2020 RAC Feedback
November 23, 2020 11:57 pm

**After viewing Darren DeBlois'
presentation:**

I oppose the amendments and recommendations.

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Stop giving out so many tags

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The bear harvest has already been on an increase the past several years, with depredation decreasing each year. Deer units on a predator management plan should have to show proof that bears are the reason or a substantial part of the reason the unit is below objective before we increase tags. Humans are the deers biggest predator and tags should be decreased for deer and keep the human predator in check for harvest. Much of the state is not having an increase in bear numbers and units such as the Bookcliffs are seeing less bears and this is from a person who has hunted the Bookcliffs for over 3 decades.

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Please do not make these changes that aim to increase the harvest of bears in Utah. These simple solutions to complex problems seem ignorant to the importance of all trophic levels in our ecosystems. Carnivores are vitally important for keeping balance in Utah's ecosystems, and simply killing bears to save deer will result in a cascade of unintended ecological consequences, just as it always has throughout wildlife "management" history in the American West. You don't save wildlife by decimating wildlife. Mule deer population decline is multi-factorial; loss of habitat, less available nutrition, and Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) are significant contributors to their decline. Harvesting more bears to alleviate this problem is a short-sighted solution to temporarily boost deer populations. This "top-down" approach neglects to address the fact that natural carnivores reduce the spread of CWD. A "bottom-up" strategy will have a better long-term outcome and could include reducing livestock densities to allow for more nutrition availability for cervids. Fighting to maintain or increase habitat will surely help mule deer and entire wild communities in Utah.

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I oppose the amendments and recommendations.

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Black bears are vital to our fragile ecosystem. We do not have many black bears in Utah as is, so I do not support government sponsored killing of them.

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I support the amendments and recommendations.

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December 2020 RAC Feedback
December 8, 2020 8:16 pm

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Black bear populations need to be managed on multiple criteria not just deer populations. The predator management program is leading to an anti-sportsmans decisioning process. The complete slaughtering attempts of cougars currently in action on the Manti (previously 4 units) is an example. There are inconsistencies coming from the Division's biologists in deer management. Covey made it clear that he does not want more deer on the Manti due to CWD but we're attempting to eliminate cougars from the land scape and now attempting to lump bears into a risky plan as well in the name of more deer.

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December 12, 2020 11:52 am

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Nope, but I do have a recommendation for the Cache County Sandhill crane hunt, please please please extend the season. The cranes hadn't arrived in the area according to many of the landowners we talked to, they all said come back later in the season when the cranes have migrated because they are a problem.
But of course, we couldn't come back because the season dates were horribly short and early!
