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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I am against the change. Archery hunters already have very low success rates, per your statistics. Take away the units that are already draw tags and the percentage drops further. Likely the main reason for difficult to draw controlled tags having higher success is time and dedication. If it's only possible to draw a tag every 2, or 5, or 15 years then people are going to hunt longer and harder. From personal and anecdotal experience this has more to do with the difficulty of archery hunting and getting close and less to do with animal population. Predators, poaching, and what seems to be (anecdotally in Western OR) systemic poisoning through herbicide spraying have a huge effect and I would rather see those items addressed to increase elk numbers rather than reducing our hunt opportunities.

2. I am against the change. Archery hunters already have very low success rates, per your statistics. From
Archery personal and anecdotal experience this has more to do with the difficulty of archery hunting and getting
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Name	Jenny Broadfoot
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Absolutely not. This is a short sided proposal that pits rifle hunters against archery hunters.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Absolutely not. This is a short sided proposal that pits rifle hunters against archery hunters.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Don't decrease tag numbers for elk. Put a work group together for both deer and elk management that will allow for a more thorough review at the GMU level. Engaging the hunters that actually hunt the units and getting their very specific feedback would be helpful.

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Name	Tiffany Boss
Current city of residence	Eugene
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No change. Deal with cougar population stealing our game, our farm animals and threatening families.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No change. Deal with cougar population.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Neutral.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	No changes. DEAL WITH THE COUGARS.

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I do not agree with the proposed changes. It's hard enough to draw a tag in a controlled Unit. Archery hunters need open units when they don't draw a tag. Rifle hunters have open units they can hunt. People in Oregon are getting pretty fed up with the ODFW and the way they do things. Many people I know are going to start hunting out of State!!!

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Same as Archery Elk

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Name	Grant Delco
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Not in favor. Would be in favor of other options that might help spread archery hunters out of the overcrowded units such as Heppner. If predator levels were reduced there would be enough animals for everyone.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Not in favor. Reduce the number of cougars.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	The rut deer tags that were offered this year were a great addition for generating revenue. Other limited entry hunts such as these could raise more money that could be used for predator control and habitat enhancement.

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Name	Tyler Bales
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Personally don't care for the idea. It would make archery irrelevant for me as I wouldn't want to waste points. It would make it so I couldn't hunt at all some years as I try to build points for more exciting more worth while tags.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Again it would reduce the amount of hunting opportunity for me and would make it so hunting Oregon wouldn't be worth it so I wouldn't even buy the tags and therefore wouldn't be giving as much money toward the state and would make hunting as a nonresident more reasonable. I think that getting rid of controlled units will cause Oregon to loose revenue from tag purchases.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Personally I have no comment on this, because I do not hunt this reaction actively enough to understand the difference.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	No comment

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1. If you do that you need to do that to the whole state, if you make half of the state a controlled hunt the Archery hunters just get crammed into the other half of the state. In this case the coast.

elk:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

2. This should be fine. Blacktail should not be as adversely affected as rosies would be. I.e if everyone packs the west coast blacktail are still going to be elusive and hard to kill, while the controlled hunts over East deer: would relive pressure on mule deer.

change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. West More hunters in woods at once is never a good idea, it's already crammed. makes Accidents and poaching Cascade easier.

elk
(general
any-legal
weapon
season):
Move
season to

November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Limit archery equipment, limit tags, limit entry. Archery hunting is not as enjoyable as it was 10 years ago. Guys are unethical now, never practice, don't tune equipment, and take shots at ranges that shouldn't be considered. It's disgusting to see that the good ol, hunt from the truck, shoot out the window, drink beer all day, leave the hide on in the sun idiots that we switched to archery to get away from have now made they're way into archery hunting. I feel bad for the elk. It's like salmon fishing, it's a slaughter. Almost makes you not want to hunt/fish. Maybe cycle years? Deer year, elk year, all draws. That would give the herds time to recoup, and increase trophy quality

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Name	Larry Brown
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Agree
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Agree
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Hunting both works well in Idaho If the animals are there to support the extra harvest
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Oregon needs More Deer The quality and quantity has gone downhill I hunt a huge private ranch neat Huntington. It isn't over hunted at all. The numbers are considerably lower than when I first started hunting it. In 2003

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Name	Terron Meek
Current city of residence	Grants Pass
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	This is just another money making scheme by a communist Government Organization just like making Spring Bear a Controlled Draw. This will lead to more poaching by individuals just trying to enjoy their God Given rights to harvest and feed their Families Quality Organic wild meat. This is a load of quality bullshit!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	This is just another money making scheme by a communist Government Organization just like making Spring Bear a Controlled Draw. This will lead to more poaching by individuals just trying to enjoy their God Given rights to harvest and feed their Families Quality Organic wild meat. This is a load of quality bullshit
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	A later season may be a good idea. Even for hunts in the Coast Mtn Range.

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

No!! Leave it as General Season. Making it controlled is taking away opportunity. Archery hunters are not the problem. Predators are the problem. Instead of controlled hunts, perform cougar management in other units like what has been done in melrose and heppner. Open up spring bear to have later seasons into June and make them general seasons with quotas based on regions. Allow 2 bears to be taken per hunter. Quotas will ensure the right number of bears are taken.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

No!! Leave it as general season.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

I don't see an issue with this. This is increasing hunter opportunity.

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Although limiting the number of archery tags would seem logical. Most archery hunters are not successful year in and year out. If you're a true archery hunter you live to be in the woods every year. The rifle hunter that chooses to hunt with a bow on years that he or she is unsuccessful in drawing a rifle tag. Is not the true archery hunter. Our family has basically used our archery hunts like a family reunion. We all get together each year to archery elk hunt. Limiting tags could put an end to a family event. That would be a tragedy! I understand limiting rifle season, but archery has very limited impact on the population as a whole. I would suggest limiting late season elk hunts and Antlerless elk hunts. The same goes for Antlerless deer hunts. I never understood the real reason for controlling buck to doe ratios. If the population is so low that you need to limit rifle tags. Why continue doe and cow hunts? "my opinion, pointless". Thank you for offering this forum.

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Name	Jon Daniels
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Please don't change. The hunts seem good.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Please don't change.

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Name	Ron Ooley
Current city of residence	Forest Grove
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Will no longer bow hunt East will hunt west side
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Should draw the seed numbers for controlled hunts after the application numbers are available to applicants. This would remove doubt whether the drawing was fair.

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Name	Nathan Brown
Current city of residence	Medford
Email	Nbrownfnp@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Absolutely not! Archery is difficult enough as it is. Do not change the hunt to controlled. Seems like nothing more than a money grab. Get more hunters to pay and issue only a few tags. There has to be a better way.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Absolutely not! Archery is difficult enough as it is. Do not change the hunt to controlled. Seems like nothing more than a money grab. Get more hunters to pay and issue only a few tags. There has to be a better way.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	This I would be in favor of. Allow hunters to hunt for both. This will lessen the frequency hunters are in these habitats.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Too vague of a description to comment. No context

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Name	Sean Homenyk
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Leave it a general hunt. I see far less people during bow season than rifle season and it's a way that I can hunt with my kids every year
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Leave it a general hunt. It's already hard enough to get a rifle tag It's another way I get to hunt with my kids every year Leaving deer and elk season general archery at least it keeps my kids excited about hunting when they don't draw a rifle tag which isn't very often I've got one kid that hasn't even drew a rifle tag
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Well the Deer hunters to still hunt When the elk hunt is going on

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Name	Chad Davis
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Please leave the archery seasons alone and as is. I always put in for the hard to get tags for a dream hunt. I am an archery hunter and only hunt for meat.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Please leave the archery seasons alone and as is. I always put in for the hard to get tags for a dream hunt. I am an archery hunter and only hunt for meat.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Pursue both species
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Increase the tags for Weneha and Mt Emily big bull tags. More cow hunts.

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Name	Tee Gandy
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	What purpose is there in controlled hunting. Causing less revenue does not help state feed the animals in tough years . If this is a scam to increase dollar's its a sad management system.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	See answer to question one.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Why do odfw biologist think this will solve any problems.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	It would be nice to see actual success rates for game Harvest compared to tag draw/revenue generation.

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Name	Josh Hunter
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	In certain units that are very popular it would be good to limit the amount of hunters and hunting pressure but not all units should be draw only for elk
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	With the current state of our deer herd I would support this not only draw but significantly lower the amount of rifle tags and archery tags I personally will buy a tag but I can't bring myself to harvest a deer I fear there won't be any deer left for my children to hunt
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move it to November in correlation with 2nd season elk on the east side
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Significantly lower mule deer tags for both archery and rifle predators predators predators please let's do something about the predators and their numbers this cannot continue or there will not be a single deer left in the state of Oregon please bring back hound hunting

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Name Douglas Bourland

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. This is absurd control the weapon types make traditional only seasons before you close the general season then you will get real archery hunters not the guys who go because they didn't draw their rifle bull tags. The guys who love bow hunting will grab traditional gear and go this will solve your problem. At least try it for a year or two before you take away opportunity for the archers in our state

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

You have not properly managed our predator issues for over 20 years look at what has been done in Utah with simple predator control..... Look at the Nevada 014 study, predator control equals higher mule deer populations!!!! Do you guys even study what's going on around you it's not habitat quit using that as an excuse!!!! It's a joke!!!! Now you want to make controlled archery how about aggressive predator control and a giant reduction in rifle deer tags . And instead of controlling archery make it traditional in all of eastern Oregon this will keep opportunity and reduce harvest use some common sense for once

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current Leave it alone

dates but
allow deer
hunting in
Cascades to
continue
during elk
season so
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pursue both
species at
same time.

4. Other Control predators do your jobs
changes being
considered
(incl. tag
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tables for
specific
hunts)

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Name	Steve Frazier
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I wouldn't mind limiting the number of hunters, but question limiting to only hunting in a single unit. i often hunt around home during the evening and weekends and then travel to do an extended hunt to another area. Obviously, I would be confined to a single unit with the new plan. I an not much of a harvester, but enjoy hunting.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as above.

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Name	Chuck Burdine
Current city of residence	Drain
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	NO
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	NO
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Allow deer hunting during.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Open general deer and elk archery season September 1st and run through the end of the month.

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Name	Mike Dixon
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Hunters are not the issue with the declining numbers. The problem is predators and the states blinders towards that. I've been in those mountains of eastern Oregon for over forty years. When the state outlawed hunting with dogs the predators exploded and now the wolves are taking over. You want elk and deer populations to improve, manage the predators.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Same answer as number one. Deal with the predators. If that is not a major factor in planning you are ignoring the science.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

Keep current season and allow deer hunting.

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Name	Matt Powlison
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes, there are way too many people hunting general season.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No, this is a terrible idea
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move season to November

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Name	Mike Slinkard
Current city of residence	John day
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No this is unneeded and not good management of hunters or game
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	There should be no hunting of mule deer in most areas of eastern Oregon for at least 5 years. No predator managment and too many rifle tags has left our mule deer in serious trouble. We need a 5 year moratorium on mule deer and serous predator control specifically of cougars.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Leave it alone other than issuing 5 year moratorium on mule deer and aggressive predator control to let herds recover.

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Name	Jim Green
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	yes, I feel this is a good item. The number of tags being issued could be used to better control elk numbers
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Also a good idea. Mule deer numbers are down,(at least in the unit I hunt). Again, this would let you control Numbers better. Even though I feel this is more a wolf problem verses a hunter numbers issue.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move to Nov.

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Oregon point creep is a huge issue and making those units draw units would cause point creep and eventually no hope in obtaining the hunt we all dream of. Because of the points system, our kids would eventually be unable to ever draw a tag. Oregon's heritage of hunting would disappear. A better idea would be to limit tags and have general tags created for specific units. Or, model our system after Idaho or New Mexico, both places which do not have points systems. Also, declaring the weapon of choice prior to applying or purchasing tags would limit the issue of new archery people in the woods when they doubt draw rifle tags. This whole issue of was brought up because rifle hunters drive around looking for elk/deer rather than getting out and finding those sanctuary areas where the big bulls or bucks go in the post rut seasons. Archery hunters have no choice but to get out and hike around for elk, higher skill levels are required to be successful, and this is why the big bull harvest is almost equal for rifle vs. archery.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

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3. West Cascade elk No firearms should be used in the woods while people are out archery hunting. As it is, grouse are hunted during archery season, and many close calls have occurred because archers are in full camo and inexperienced or careless firearm hunters shoot at moving objects.

(general any-legal weapon season):
Move
season to
November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
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4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

We need to move to a better system and eliminate pay-to-play ranches. The ranchers complain that they have elk problems but do not open their borders to hunting. They'd rather have tags given to them so they can charge exorbitant amounts of money for hunters to have access. If it's really a problem, then we need to orchestrate a Hunter registry in which they get the hunter's name and info, and that person is allowed to hunt the private ground. That way if anything happens, the Hunter can be held responsible. In addition, the state agencies can work with the ranches on this

but if the land owner doesn't allow hunting, no funding should be given, including landowners tax breaks. There has to be a consequence for ranchers denying hunting, or they'll continue to charge. Charging for hunting is profiting off of state owned wildlife and denying hunting is harboring wildlife and should not be allowed.

Animals in the state should be managed better. With the reduction of animal numbers, increase in predators and decrease in public lands, we need a better management system. Oregon should model their management after a more successful state (New Mexico) in order to get the highest quality and quantity of wildlife that our forests will sustain. In addition, its time we offer wolf tags. The wolf is wiping out our deer and elk numbers. The state likes to blame wasting disease as an excuse, but any person spending any amount of time in the woods can see that wolves are present and play a role in the numbers reduction.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#876]

Name Doug Powell

Current city of residence Milton-Freewater

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I say no, not to be mean but if you don't draw your controlled rifle tag you can always pick up a archery general tag. If this happens then those who don't draw can't go at all.

I purpose this instead, if something changes then either make a general Cow elk archery tag or allow spike only general tags. This way a person still gets a chance to hunt if not drawn.

OR change the general elk season for archery to in Nov or something instead of August.

I don't usually plan on putting in for controlled elk tags, that are available now so unless

while putting in for controlled elk tags and areas one can pick and between rifle and controlled Elk hunts as part of their 5 choices. Meaning one could pick some controlled rifle

Hunts and some archery controlled hunts all on the same ticket. Like top two for rifle then the rest archery or some other combination then maybe but not have to buy separate

permit applications NO! So yeah mainly a no for me unless something in what I described can be accommodated.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

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Hunts and some archery controlled hunts all on the same ticket. Like top two for rifle then the rest archery or some other combination then maybe but not have to buy separate permit applications NO! So yeah mainly a no for me unless something in what I described can be accommodated. Pretty much the same but instead of a spike only for deer some kind of other option.

3. West I have no preference here except if we cant go there they shouldn't be allowed to come here.

**Cascade elk
(general any-
legal weapon
season): Move
season to
November OR
keep current
dates but
allow deer
hunting in
Cascades to
continue
during elk
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hunters can
pursue both
species at
same time.**

4. Other As per some of my suggestions above on both deer and elk keep the general season but maybe change what can be harvested or move to later dates. Washington for some areas in the Blues had a late archery hunt for deer and Cow Elk. OR just make general archery for spike only and controlled for the rest. then make general for deer some point restriction as a spike or two-point only or doe and then make the controlled hunts for any deer or cow or doe or make them later. OR some other kind of changes like that. But not permanent for things need to change every few years.

**changes being
considered
(incl. tag
numbers/hunt
tables for
specific
hunts)**

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#875]

Name Logan Sheridan

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1. **Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.** Making archery hunting in traditional general units a draw is a good idea and will be supported by many bow hunters. Unfortunately many hunters will feel they are solely being impacted due to the decline in numbers. The solution would to also increase targeted predator harvests. This will not only help to bring animal numbers up but ease tension between hunters who feel ODFW has mismanaged predator populations.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

In many units that are general archery units are also being issued an extremely high number of rifle tags. Making these general units draws for archery should also come with a decrease in rifle deer tags. The loss of revenue can be recuperated by increasing the pursuit of poaching which is a very large problem as well. Point restrictions would also be a viable tool if hunters will take responsibility for their part in the management of this renewable resource. An increase in targeted predator harvests not only help the numbers but ease tensions between a growing number of hunters who feel predators have been mismanaged in many areas. Target predator harvest would be a great way to bring more hunters to the side of wildlife mangers.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#874]

Name	Chase Connolly
Current city of residence	Prineville
Email	irishpower1171@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>I torn but all for it. Because I am tired of Rifle hunting Elk that have been way over hunted by archery hunters.</p> <p>Things obviously need to change.</p>
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>Deer season needs to be draw only. And tag number need to be lowered across the entire state. For rifle and archery. Our deer herd are hurting. And we need to control the predators.</p>
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	<p>Move the season to November please.</p>
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<p>Please eliminate the muzzleloader bullet restrictions. I don't care about all the other rules. But we should be able to use the best that technology has to offer.</p>

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#873]

Name	Matt DeLong
Current city of residence	Portland
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I believe this to be an unnecessary restriction. Objectives stated could be managed via unit/region quotas far simpler and less destructive than controlled hunts. These sorts of caps allow for general hunting but narrows numbers of hunters. I appreciate all your efforts to manage Oregon wildlife on behalf of sportsmen who have a wide range of needs. An incremental step would buy more long term goodwill than destroying the preference points of so many archers.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Caps/quotas would be much simpler and less intrusive.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Not enough personal interest/awareness to comment intelligently.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Managing tag numbers and the unit or zone level is appropriate and reasonable. An archaic preference point system should not be increased to address it.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#872]

Name	Stephen Gebhardt
Current city of residence	Gresham
Email	gebhardtstephen6@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes! Help stop the point banking
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes! Help stop point banking
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Allow hunters to pursue both

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:08 PM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#871]

Name Craig Hutchins

Current Beaverton
city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I fully support change from general to controlled in Eastern Oregon. 1) Most archery hunters have become so advanced with bugling that I believe it is not fair chase during the Elk rut for any bull in Eastern Oregon. This is not helping the big mature bulls essential for herd survival. Especially if the advanced ones are allowed to hunt every year for any bull in Eastern Oregon. A controlled season would help the quality of Eastern Oregon rifle Elk any bull hunts as well. These advanced archery hunters would not be able to build up preference points for rifle as they would need to use them for archery

2. **Archery deer:** Either way is fine with me. I believe archery deer in Eastern Oregon is more of a fair chase as it is not done during the rut.
change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

3. **West Cascade elk (general** Move season to November. The current dates are confusing for many hunters trying to figure out the regulations. I have read there are little to no elk in Cascades anyway so it wont make much of a difference either way. I would actually support a elk closure in the Cascades to build herds.

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season):
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same
time.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#870]

Name	Josh goossen
Current city of residence	klamath falls
Email	goose7813@yahoo.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	vote no. Keep the limited units controlled, but not all eastern units. The units around klamath are not great elk units and hunters are not the reason. Please do something to address the predators.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as above.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move to november
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Too many predators, including wolves. An accurate count of wolves would be nice. I KNOW the numbers are higher than stated. I reported two wolves last year and was basically ignored. The rep said they had to have video evidence to prove, but many people have reported them but they are still not a listed pack.

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#869]

Name	Brian Lesch
Current city of residence	Fall Creek
Email	blktailhnr@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	That's a horrible idea
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Again, a horrible idea
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep the current dates and allow deer hunting
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Add late season eastern Oregon mule deer archery hunts. Go back to fork or better for deer hunting Allow dogs for cougar hunting Open hunts for wolves.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 7:54 PM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#868]

Name	Alex B
Current city of residence	Gresham
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Please do not change Eliminate elk spike hunts
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	General archery seasons is not a cause of Decline . What is hurting the population elk and deer is a combination of unrestricted over-hunting by native people as well as the wolf packs that continue to increase in numbers . Please don't take away more opportunity for us people who follow the rules and fund the ODFW through license and tag sales

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#867]

Name Steven Sachs

Current city of residence Philomath

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I strongly support this change. When I started archery as a kid in 4H many years ago, it was only the truly dedicated and determined who hunted with a bow. Many, if not most still used recurves and longbows, and the compounds that did exist weren't very good. As technology has changed to allow anyone to pick up a bow and with little practice be effective on game to 40 yards, the regulations need to change with it. We are already 20 years past the time when we should have done this.

OTC seasons have become so overcrowded that many Eastern Oregon units are hardly worth hunting. Add to this the fact that take of game cannot be regulated with unlimited tags, and we are in a situation where managers cannot do their jobs, the hunting/camping experience is poor and units that should be able to produce quality animals on public land don't.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. I would support this change. In addition to the reasons stated above for elk, we all recognize that mule deer in Oregon are in serious trouble. Managers must be able to regulate take, which is simply not possible with unlimited tags.

I would go one step beyond this suggestion to state that outside of the suburbs, blacktales are in trouble in Western Oregon as well. These seasons should be moved into the controlled hunt process as well.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon) I would not support this change. Moving seasons to November would likely increase take of elk and deer in units that struggle to meet management objectives.

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season to
November OR
keep current
dates but
allow deer
hunting in
Cascades to
continue
during elk
season so
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same time.

4. Other I would support the use of crossbows during the “any legal weapon” season. But, would absolutely not
changes being support their use during the bow season.
considered
(incl. tag
numbers/hunt
tables for
specific
hunts)

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#866]

Name	terry moore
Current city of residence	lapine
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	i dont believe the archers are taking more elk than the rifle hunters. i like the 30 day season. making it a east or west tag is fine with me. i think you should bring back cougar hunting with dogs. that would bring in somemore revenue and help both elk and deer. maybe make temporary draws for the units in the most trouble.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	hunt cougars with dogs...archery deer hunting isnt the problem. rifle hunters slaughter way more deer

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 7:31 PM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#865]

Name Dave Waddell

Current city of residence La Pine

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. see answer for Archery deer

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Absolutely ridiculous. I've have never seen an abundance of archery hunters in any unit I have hunted on the east side. Rifle season is a different story. Every unit is filled with vehicle after vehicle driving in circles on every available road. If the concern is to get populations back to appropriate levels then the rifle season tags need to be lowered greatly. Turning eastern Oregon Archery into a draw tag will result in all the hunters that don't draw a tag going to western Oregon. This is what happened when draw tags started in with rifle season. If fish and game is intent on doing a draw system. Then do it for the entire state, for rifle and bow season

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current Allowing elk rifle season to coincide with western Oregon will only greatly increase the number of hunters in the woods at one time not only putting a greater strain on the animals and reducing safety of hunters. Moving to November will then screw late season archery hunters

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allow deer
hunting in
Cascades to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters can
pursue both
species at
same time.

4. Other Reduce rifle tag numbers and make western Oregon rifle a draw tag.
changes being Instead of making eastern Oregon a draw tag create a western Oregon archery and an eastern Oregon
considered archery tag. hunters can chose before the season which one to purchase. Similar to the old rifle season
(incl. tag process
numbers/hunt
tables for
specific
hunts)

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#864]

Name	Tyler gange
Current city of residence	Redmond
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I feel the only way this will be a feasible change is with 2 conditions, you pickup a zone system identical to that of Idaho, or you offer 2 hunt periods an early and late season to help with the risk of fires canceling hunts. A first come first serve tag sale quota would be preferable to controlled
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	zones are much preferable to a single unit, first come first serve preferable.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I think you couldn't go wrong with either, allowing pursuit of both species could be the way to go
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	we need deer tags in Central Oregon to be cut by more than two thirds of what they currently are, there are less deer in some of these units than hunters and that is not acceptable when you add in the major predator issue we face as a state, other than allowing baiting and hounds for predators again I feel limiting or even closing certain hunts would be very beneficial.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#863]

Name	jan holmgren
Current city of residence	Central Point
Email	janholmgren@charter.net
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	yes I think changing elk archery season to a controlled hunt is long overdue as over crowding and the timing of archery hunts during the rut have severely affected the elk, I think no hunting during the rut period as to relieve pressure on the herds is key to rebuilding a healthy number of animals going into the next year
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	this I think could stay in a general season format if a few changes are considered, 1 reduce hunting time to two weeks or less, and 2 change legal harvest to bucks only with a fork horn (2 point) or more harvest.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I think changing to allow elk and deer hunting at the same time is a good idea, but changing west cascade elk to a limited draw in some units (rogue, dixon, indigo) is needed to rebuild herd levels to management objectives.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	changing the "any visible antler" rule to fork horn or better for EAST AND WEST side is my one biggest item I would change, there is NO reason to allow hunting for small yearling bucks like spike deer, this is simply taking the young deer out of the herds to boost harvest numbers.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#862]

Name	Treve Moffit
Current city of residence	Cove
Email	treve.moffit@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No, keep general
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No, keep general
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Wolf tags

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#861]

Name Melissa Cole

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city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

ODFW has absolutely no data to support changes they are making. In fact, elk populations are above the target. Success rates of bow hunters is much lower than rifle hunters. Therefore, this makes no sense.

So eastern Oregon residents would no longer be able to hunt in their backyard if these regulations go into effect. If not successful in a draw, hunters would have to travel hours away from their residence to hunt. There is absolutely no reason to make this change; except rifle hunters are complaining. Rifle hunters can pick up a bow and try real hunting.

Defund ODFW – you clearly have no idea what you are doing. No wonder more hunters are going out of state to hunt.

2. Again, the data does not support this change given the successful harvest rate for bow versus rifle. ODFW is destroying Oregon.

Archery
deer:
change Defund ODFW.
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. **West** Change to November so there is a higher likelihood of survival.
Cascade
elk

(general
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Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#860]

Name	glenn brown
Current city of residence	sisters
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I'm in favor of that change.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I'm in favor of that change
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move to November 1st choice, and if not allow deer and elk together

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#859]

Name	Paul Mertens
Current city of residence	Drain
Email	Pmert91@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Leave things the way they are, work on predator management first,
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Leave it alone, archery hunters aren't reducing the population, it's a challenging hunt as it stands.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	This is ok
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Look at the Warner unit how well it bounced back with seer after removing cats, we need to have a season on cats a quota something.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#858]

Name	Daniel Kinney
Current city of residence	Weston
Email	dkinney246@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes, I am in favor of changing archery elk season in Eastern Oregon to controlled hunting seasons only!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes, I am in favor of changing archery deer season in Eastern Oregon to controlled hunting seasons only!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move West Cascade Elk season to November so season do not overlap.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Reduce deer or elk tag numbers in Management Units until units come up to MO for that unit. If hunts need to be eliminated for several years to maintain viable populations, then reestablish the hunt or portions when MO are met.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#857]

Name	Nita Kinney
Current city of residence	Weston
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Archery elk should be controlled only in eastern Oregon.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Archery deer should be controlled only in eastern Oregon.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Split the seasons. Move elk season to November.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Reduce tag numbers until deer numbers in eastern Oregon come back.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#856]

Name	Brian Griffiths
Current city of residence	Damascus Oregon
Email	griffiths3@comcast.net
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	This is going to be change for the sake of change. Making it controlled will do nothing, if people say it's crowded then get off the road. I rarely see people in the woods. There is only one thing that will change the hunting situation in Oregon and that is predator control, PERIOD. We need more game not less opportunities.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as above, this is a waste of time. Very similar to the state of affairs with the salmon and steelhead runs in the state. Less and less opportunities are going to lead to less involvement and less money for ODFW.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	PREDATOR CONTROL.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#855]

Name	Bryce Shiner
Current city of residence	Prineville
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	No

Nick Myatt

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Name	Stephen Price
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I am strongly against this proposal for numerous reasons. This will result in more lost opportunities. I have been purchasing fishing and hunting licenses in Oregon for as long as I've been legally able to do so (almost 30 years). License and tag fees continually increase while opportunity correspondingly decreases. It has to stop. If you want to do something that will actually help Oregon's big game populations a good first step would be to concentrate on the exploding predator populations.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I am strongly opposed to this proposal. See response to #1 above.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Allowing deer hunting to continue during west cascade elk general season also seems like a poor idea. West cascade elk season is already a complete zoo. Multiple rigs everywhere you go. I do not like the idea of adding more hunters into the mix that may not have the elk tag. I have not done enough research to voice an opinion on moving west cascade elk to November.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	No comment at this time.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Christopher Alldredge
Current city of residence	Redmond
Email	cjalli@msn.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes Please! Folks were not successful with the rifle tags suddenly become overnight archery hunters. Overcrowding most regions and destroying habitat. I would be in favor of reducing the tags even more in order to help build of the animal population back up.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes Please! Folks were not successful with the rifle tags suddenly become overnight archery hunters. Overcrowding most regions and destroying habitat. I would be in favor of reducing the tags even more in order to help build of the animal population back up.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Dan Carew
Current city of residence	Redmond
Email	wp77threat@hotmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	KEEP IT GENERAL!!!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	KEEP IT GENERAL!!!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Hunt both at the same time please

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#851]

Name	Brian Axtell
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

This proposal is a joke I know lots of people that archery hunt and sometimes it takes them a whole month to kill a elk now they could possibly get 2 weeks, not only is that not fair but it could and will make places even more crowded than normal. I don't understand why odfw is trying to do this when they can't even manage the predator situation what a absolute joke. And this also screws over our youth hunters who are just getting started elk hunting.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

No same as question 1

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

This would be ok if it was youth only.

Nick Myatt

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Name Adam Raymond

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1. Yes, please change archery elk to controlled in eastern Oregon so ODFW can better manage elk populations.

Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

2. Yes, please change archery deer to controlled in eastern Oregon so ODFW can better manage deer populations.

Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

3. **West Cascade** Allow deer hunting in the Cascades during the elk season so hunters can pursue both species at the same time.

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time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

A. Opportunity units– My recommendation would be to manage for 15–25 bucks per 100 does. The optimum ratio remains undefined and is probably highly variable. This should be a majority of Oregon unless large scale hunter surveys and NGOs want Oregon to change from an opportunity state to a quality/trophy state. Hunters and NGOs may want the high end of 25bucks:100does.

“Less than 5 bucks per 100 does indicates almost all bucks are being harvested during the hunts, and the buck portion of the herd is likely being overly exploited. 5–10 bucks per 100 does indicates the bucks are being heavily hunted and

that few mature bucks are surviving the hunt. 10–20 bucks per 100 does indicate reasonable and adequate hunter pressure. Many adequate number of mature bucks are surviving. Most herds should be managed between 10–20 bucks per 100 does. Over 20 bucks per 100 does is leaning toward trophy management and the buck segment of the herd may be under-harvested and under-utilized.” Dennis D. Austin retired research scientist of Utah F&W.

B. Quality/Trophy units– Should be managed for 30+ bucks per 100 does.

C. Shorten all season lengths– This will allow for some buck escapement although a majority of bucks are likely to be harvested on opening weekend. Lead to a higher proportion of bucks with 4 or more points after several years of implementation. Increase of buck:doe ratios. Can help keep hunter numbers up (retention & recruitment). Has no real affect on hunter days. Keeps fawn:doe ratios higher compared to Limited, Unlimited, and No Restriction hunts. Over time will allow a greater number of mule deer compared to other season types. (Newell & Meredith 2018)

D. No rut hunts in opportunity units. Shift short season dates if need be. Possibly have very limited rut hunts in Quality/Trophy units if buck:doe ratio, fawn:doe ratio, and population MOs are all reached for the unit.

E. Redraw unit boundary lines to match deer herd/population results from migration studies.

F. Possibly decide on a few units to be strictly deer focused and another few to be elk focused. This should probably be the few quality/trophy units for the state. In the units focused on trophy elk then extra deer tags will be issued to keep the deer population low and habitat projects (grass) will be focused to benefit elk. Then flip this for the trophy deer units (shrubs & forbs). This will help with competition and allow each species to have a higher MO or carrying capacity for the individual unit. This might also help ODFW with revenue for a short time if the state needs to close units or severely decrease tags to hunting if male/female ratios or MOs are very low.

To manage for a single species in one unit there would be extra tags given out for the other species (deer or elk) to keep those populations down. My suggestion for the elk quality/trophy units would be Wenaha, Mt. Emily, Walla Walla, and Mill Creek Watershed. Now the extra increase in deer tags would be to eliminate all white-tailed deer in these units and all of eastern Oregon as they really compete with mule deer. Tags for mule deer in these units would increase as well but not to eliminate the populations.

The units managed for mule deer only would most likely be in the SE corner of Oregon plus the Metolious unit. Now increase the tags to keep the elk numbers down in those units eliminating any possible competition.

Finally, habitat projects in the single species focused units would be just for those species. So, grass focus for elk and grasses (where herds will be during spring green-up), plus shrub & forb for deer only units. These projects need to be focused on range types that are most important and essential to deer or elk

G. Have certain units/hunts be rifles and bows without scopes and sights. Muzzleloader and most traditional archery hunters are already doing this. This will allow the current number of tags to be the same or increase with escapement (hunter recruitment and retention). This could also be an option if ODFW can not take a hit on closing a unit if game populations are below male:female ratios, young:female ratios, or population MOs. Certain units may need tag decreases even if this was implemented if ratios and/or MOs were way under. There might be a slight learning curve with this type of hunt, success rate, and wounded lost animals. Wounded lost animal questions should be added to mandatory surveys but with zero penalties to the hunter (Possible study for ODFW?).

I. ODFW should drastically change tags numbers if below 10bucks:100does or a certain percentage below ratio and/or population MOs. Possibly drastically drop number of tags per unit if below 15 bucks per 100 does so more mature bucks are in the population to breed does during the first estrus cycle which is very important but also be prepared for any drought summers or heavy snowfall winters.

J. ODFW should only issue enough tags to keep game populations around whatever the summer or winter range can support the least during a drought or high snowfall year. When this does not happen the carrying capacity for that summer or winter range will not be able to support the game population during a drought or high snowfall winter. The range will then be damaged which could take numerous years to even never recovering to allow the same population size (old carrying capacity) from before the severe drought or winter.

K. Charge more for premium tags and premium tag applications. Any potential future units managed for quality/trophy animals could also be charged more per application and tag fee. This could be a slight increase to help with revenue coming into ODFW when tags need to be decreased in units not meeting buck:doe ratios, fawn:doe ratios, or population MOs.

L. Have archery season start after September 1st. Hunting before September 1st could potentially lead to higher fawn mortality as fawns can be separated from their mothers. Longer association with their mother could lead to higher survival rates of fawns.

M. Vegetation or Range Data (This is very important. Top Priority! More information at bottom of document.)

I'm assuming most states make no or very limited measures of summer and winter range conditions for deer. It would be interesting how ODFW comes up with their MOs if they don't have fairly updated range data for each unit but more importantly herd/population summer and winter range. Recommending hunting seasons and number of tags, knowing the number of game animals and ratios in a herd/population or on a range is only important if the browsing impacts on the range are also known. When the range relationships are unknown, unsupported recommendations are submitted, which can lead to over or under harvest. Under harvest populations will over use range habitat that could lead to years to never fully recovery.

Summer and Winter Range vegetation surveys would be great to perform every year but most likely every 5 years. A set data collection protocol should be created and used for each general habitat type. The most important habitat types would be surveyed in summer and winter range. ODFW, Forest Service, and BLM should all work together to accomplish this massive undertaking. This may only work for a prioritized list of mule deer populations and not the entire state. These vegetation range surveys could take place of years ODFW does not complete populations surveys to ease the financial strain.

A reasonably detailed range-wide map of mule deer habitats should be developed for Oregon in GIS. This will help future managers to assess changes to the habitat over time. Areas where threats to mule deer habitats are greatest should be identified and steps taken to protect or enhance them. Any historic Oregon measurements of mule deer habitats should be reevaluated to better understand what changes have occurred.

N. Not sure if this is an issue but all mule and whitetail deer data need to be analyzed separately.

O. Predator Management

Predator reduction should happen at the local (site-specific) scale just prior to fawning through the first couple weeks after the peak of fawning, assuming predation is a significant limiting factor and the deer population is below carrying capacity.

ODFW will need to decide the scale or control in relation to resources available and public acceptance.

This is at the bottom of my list as it is a funding issue and has not always increased survival that was eventually passed on to hunters. If the funding is there then use it before and right after fawning.

P. Close more winter range areas to vehicle access and enforce very large fines. Will help with escapement that will allow more tags to be issued while also less harassment to wildlife through a rough part of the year. The less energy and fat burned will increase the chance of survival during winter, better escapement from predators if healthier, and better chance to become pregnant during the first estrus cycle and have a healthier young fawn or calf.

Q. Implement a statewide shed hunting season with very large fines.

R. Road Closure–

Work with the Forest Service and BLM to close short dead-end roads to decrease vehicle harassment and increase escapement of game animals. Do not demolish roads as future timber operations and fire fighters will need access.

S. Livestock grazing–

Work with Forest Service and BLM. Don't overgraze summer or winter range. Graze in spring on winter range but remove during the rest of the year. A shift from cattle to sheep would benefit as sheep tend to have herders that keep the sheep moving while cattle concentrate and tend to destroy habitat more.

T. Continually build over and underpasses for migrating deer.

U. Continually added and build upon poaching laws.

V. Tip for Quality/Trophy units– If increased antler size is a goal then the majority of bucks harvested should be at least 4+ years old. The annual harvest rate should not exceed 15 percent of the available bucks.

Habitat/Range Surveys, Assessments, MOs, and Tags

Recommending hunting seasons and number of tags, knowing the number of game animals (population size) and ratios in a herd/population or on a range is only important if the browsing impacts on the range are also known. When the range relationships are unknown, unsupported recommendations are submitted, which can lead to over or under harvest. Under harvest populations will over use range habitat that could lead to years to never fully recovery.

Summer and Winter Range conditions and trends along with annual browse utilization would need to be assessed at least every 5 years per unit which hopefully based off a mule deer population/herd. Deer density and mortality estimates

would also need to be assessed. A set data collection protocol should be created and used for each ecoregion habitat type. The most important habitat types would be surveyed in summer and winter range. ODFW, Forest Service, and BLM should all work together to accomplish this massive undertaking. This may only work for a prioritized list of mule deer populations and not the entire state. These vegetation range surveys could take place of years ODFW does not complete populations surveys to ease the financial strain.

A reasonably detailed range-wide map of mule deer habitats should be developed and updated over time for Oregon in GIS. This will help future managers to assess changes to the habitat over time. Areas where threats to mule deer habitats are greatest should be identified and steps taken to protect or enhance them. Any historic Oregon measurements of mule deer habitats should be reevaluated to better understand what changes have occurred.

Survey Design (Winter Range) For certain habitat ecoregions.

Have 15 transects established on each hunt unit. It is estimated that the 15 transects would require an annual field time of 40 hours in the spring to collect data. Additional hours may be required in the fall to sweep the plots used by deer in summer and fall from any transects before wintering deer show up. All transects should be placed in the vicinity of 5-year permanent trend transects on critical winter range.

Each of the 15 transects are comprised of 50 plots. Plot numbers 1 and 50 are marked with a 6-foot T-steel post driven into the ground as deep as possible. Plot numbers 2–49 are marked with 24–36-inch-long, $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch wide angled iron, with 6–12 inches remaining above the ground. All plots are spaced at 10-meter intervals in a line. Directions are given with respect to magnetic north. At each plot, a 10-meter-squared circular area (radius equaling 1.78 meters) is used to count big game pellet groups. All pellets are annually removed from the plots. In each plot the individual shrub nearest to the plot center, but within a maximum distance of 5-meters from the plot center, is located. An ocular estimate for percent overwinter utilization of the current annual growth at 5% intervals is made for each available shrub species.

Overwinter mortality can be recorded from the time the investigator leaves the vehicle. Following completion of the data collection of the data collection for the transect, the investigator returns to the vehicle via a different route. Using the length of the route, including the 490 meters along the transect, and the average hiking distance to the first plot plus the return distance to the starting point, and an estimated 100 meter mortality sampling width, it is estimated each transect represents a mortality assessment on about a mean of 15 hectares (37 acres) of winter range.

“Varying topographic and vegetation characteristics demand that 1 data collection method will not work in all

situations. Biologists and botanists with different governments agencies and universities should work together to come up with the proper survey protocol depending on the habitat and ecoregion.”

Range Trend Assessment (Summer)

Select “key” areas where mule deer traditionally have established a pattern of winter use during normal weather conditions over a long period of time should be selected as study areas by the biologist with the most experience on the unit. Each transect consists of five 100-foot sampling belts, with the ends permanently marked with steel rods to insure precise area sampling. Data collected at plots along the sampling belt include vegetative cover and density, species composition, ground cover, and shrub age, form, and vigor classes (Daubenmire, R. 1959. A canopy coverage method of vegetational analysis. Northwest Science 33:43–66.).

From these sets of data, the trend of range conditions can be determined. Range trend data answers several questions: Is the general range condition improving, declining, or remaining the same for mule deer in winter? Are weedy species invading the range? Is shrub productivity changing? Is vegetative composition changing? Is ground cover changing, leading to possible changes in surface erosion? In general, what has been the degree of deer utilization of shrubs in winter? Does the current management plan for the area need to be altered to meet the changing range conditions?

Utah has by far the most extensive system to monitor range conditions. They have been involved in an interagency effort for range inventory and trend since 1958 on federal, state, and private lands. Measures of plant utilization by ungulates are still made on many of these transects. California reported they have resurrected several historic range transects that were used over the past 40–50 years and re-read them to try to understand how range conditions have changed. Arizona reported that they do a limited amount of forage monitoring each year. Idaho established vegetation transects on 1–2 management areas.

California and Wyoming have implemented measures of body condition to evaluate ability of the range to support deer. Idaho reported they have been working to develop relationships between GIS habitat data and estimates of fawn survival. Colorado reported use of the “savannah” habitat model to evaluate habitat values for all grazing ungulates in selected areas in the state.

It may be necessary to reduce or eliminate standard aerial sex and age classification counts to free up resources for survival measurements which can be based off range conditions. These measurements could be rotated among various populations annually with modeling done in years when measurements are not made.

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Name Dallas Stone

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I have lived in eastern Oregon for all my life and I think I speak for all in eastern Oregon when I say that it would be the worst move in odfw history. Reasons for that are It would detour youth from getting a sure opportunity at a big game animal, totally loss of review for the Oregon department of fish and wildlife for it would just push people further away from doing the legal process and harvest a big game animal without a tag. Our Oregon State troopers have far more to handle then to pursue our local citizens out of the beautiful eastern Oregon mountains witch we call home. Amnesty between eastern and western Oregon not only outdoorsman, but citizens is large. Taking away the opportunity from local eastern Oregon outdoorsman to hunt and giving that opportunity to a western Oregon outdoorsman is utterly and completely infuriating. Our mountains and game do not get the same respect that of what we local hunters and outdoorsman give, Time and time again controlled hunts PROVE that theory. Rifle hunts are of the past for most due to the essentially corrupt and liberal draw system, a mid class income majority for eastern oregon's only opportunity to hunt is general season archery.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. Due to Heavily mismanaged predators in the state of Oregon, eastern Oregons deer population is effected immensely. This should be put to vote by the residents of eastern Oregon. Perhaps the answer is to keep it general but a guideline of 3pt or bigger. Small immature bucks do not have the appropriate chance to grow and thrive. To counter this issue is to deregulate the predator restrictions and protect not only our deer population but wildlife in general.

3. West Cascade elk (general any- I am not familiar with how hunting is in western oregon. This should be voiced by residents in the area. A very good reason to have representatives from eastern Oregon meet and discuss issues in eastern Oregon over in headquarters in Salem.

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season): Move
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Cascades to
continue
during elk
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hunters can
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species at
same time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts) The more regulated and choked down the rules, tag numbers, etc are the more detouring it is to get youth and avid hunters to continue hunting. There needs to be a big change in management for odfw to function successfully. No voice in eastern Oregon is ever heard loudly, I hope you hear my voice and understand how heartbreaking it would be to see my community loose even more of it's chances to hunt and provide for there familys.

Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Glad to finally see the change
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Glad to finally see the change
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No opinion
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<p>Change archery in saddle mountain unit for elk from general to controlled also.</p> <p>The archery hunters take close to the same number bull elk as the rifle hunters do. The only control method in place to limit the number of bull elk taken is to reduce the amount of rifle tags given.</p> <p>With this unit being so close to the metro area I feel with the change to archery for the eastern oregon units it will make MORE archery hunters come to saddle mountain unit, which will end up drastically affecting the elk herds in the area</p>

Nick Myatt

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Name	Scott Peckham
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>I support this change. We need this to control hunter density, improve hunt quality, and mitigate elk distribution issues in some areas. Point creep is also awful.</p> <p>You might consider splitting the season into two-week periods to further manage hunter density.</p>
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>I support this change. Given the struggling mule deer populations, we need to manage harvest and hunter density. I strongly suggest segregating mule and WT deer species in eastern Oregon. They should be managed separately.</p> <p>Please consider expanding opportunity for white-tailed deer hunting. The 600 series W Blue Mtn should be expanded to include public land. 12 points required for that tag is crazy. You're going to need something for people who get upset about not getting a deer tag.</p>
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No comments.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Expand white-tailed deer hunts in muzzleloader, rifle, archery series.

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Name	Nik Shamion
Current city of residence	Creswell Oregon
Email	nikshamion@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Yes

Nick Myatt

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Name	Chuck Emery
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I would leave this alone and managenthe predators better.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	This needs to be addressed. The predators have made a huge dent in deer populations. Make this a 3 point or better.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	N/a
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	We need a better management program in the wildlife department. The different units need to be really looked at. Some of these units should have their deer seasons stopped for a year or 2. Others should be 3 point or better. The wolves need to go

Nick Myatt

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Name	Ryan Aiello
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Archery hunters have such a low harvest rate this is just a money grab on part of the state. I've been archery hunting for over 10yrs and never had a shot opportunity in Eastern Oregon on any elk. This is literally ridiculous.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as above...if you're going to try and convince hunters that archery season is what's bringing down the population numbers of either species.....you're crazy.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Leave the same dates allowing deer hunters to hunt.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Lifelong Oregonian and have hunted for over 32yrs (since I was 12) the game management and hunter friendliness of my home state is getting dismal. Please for once listen to the sportsmen like myself who have put thousands of dollars of our hard earned money into licenses and tags that we can never draw. Thank you for your time. Ryan Aiello

Nick Myatt

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Name	Josh Beal
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	NO!! The numbers don't seem to support the need for that. So what's the point? Appease the rifle hunters or generate more revenue or both? 8 bucks a pop would sure add up quick wouldn't and when rifle hunters success doesn't increase what do we do then?
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Again do the Numbers support the change? Maybe in sooner units but not in all units.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move to November.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Choose your weapon. Choose east or west side of the state. Choose your weapon. Manage some units or zones for quality archery and rifle opportunity and vice versa. Pick your species where a hunter can apply for say elk deer and antelope or spring bear mountain goat or bighorn sheep but not all in the same season. This could only work if good over the counter opportunity exists. Extreme measures (draw hunts) should only be taken in units where animal numbers require it. I like to eat with game no matter how big the horns the meat is always the number trophy for me.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Patrick Davila
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Please keep general hunt it's the only time I have to hunt with my kids.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Please keep general hunt it's the only time I have to hunt with my kids
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Please keep general hunt it's the only time I have to hunt with my kids
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Please keep the way that things are theres nothing wrong with it now.

Nick Myatt

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Current city of residence	Dallas
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	The average success rate of archery hunters is way to low to justify changing this to a draw. This idea is insane. We need to do a lot more with predator management other than trying to reduce hunter numbers in units. Kill more cats and get rid of wolves.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as with elk success is minimal for this to make sense.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Either one of this ideas sound like good ones moving the elk season to november would be cool.

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#839]

Name Greg Nelson

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city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Unless the elk herds are dwindling below management objectives I am opposed to this move. The fees for hunting and fishing continue to rise and make it harder on families who hunt together. But at least if one doesn't draw a rifle tag which most prefer you still have an opportunities to be in the woods during the archery season. Why should anyone pay so much and not have an opportunities each year to elk hunt? I think a better option is to ban all guiding of big game on public land period! Why should anyone profit from a public resource? Most the the over crowding I see all over the West is due to outfitters hyping up hunts even in poor areas. They bring in excessive amounts of people. If you end this pillage it would resolve most of the issue. Thanks

2. I feel the same about deer hunting as elk. It's hard to believe the success rate with the bow for deer is all that high.

Archery
deer:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. **West** No opinion- not familiar with this area
Cascade
elk

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season):
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Cascades
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hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#838]

Name	Evan Barry
Current city of residence	La grande
Email	cletus.barry@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Sure
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Go back to the normal hunting tags! The ones that were water proof

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#837]

Name	Jason Klein
Current city of residence	Klamath Falls
Email	ogreshooter@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Do not do this. ODFW already has the worst track record in game management. Let's not continue the path.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Do not do this. ODFW already has the worst track record in game management. Let's not continue the path.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Yes, please do this.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	How about a, "blue doe," hunt so that bucks are not trying to breed sterile does.

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#836]

Name	Lucas Taylor
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Absolutely against it! My father started my hunting career at a very young age and it was all done by going with him during archery season. I have started doing the same thing with my kids. I live on the coast where there is a lot of private timber ground, so to have the opportunity to purchase an archery tag and go east in the national forest I am great full for. Archery is difficult as is, no reason to make obtaining the tag difficult as well.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Absolutely against it! My father started my hunting career at a very young age and it was all done by going with him during archery season. I have started doing the same thing with my kids. I live on the coast where there is a lot of private timber ground, so to have the opportunity to purchase an archery tag and go east in the national forest I am great full for. Archery is difficult as is, no reason to make obtaining the tag difficult as well.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#835]

Name	Heather Torres
Current city of residence	La Grande
Email	heathertorres76@frontier.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No! Absolutely crazy idea! Archery is a skill that we work long and hard to perfect to be able to provide for our family. We get one month a year to hunt let us do what we love. If we have to put in for a controlled hunt most likely we wouldn't get the tag, even though you all said it would only be 5% less than 2019 general hunt.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as above!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I can not comment on this as I do not hunt here
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	I'm not sure

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#834]

Name	William Wallender
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Making the change to controlled hunts in eastern Oregon would be acceptable with myself only if odfw makes western Oregon Also a draw , if that doesn't happen the majority of rifle and archery hunters who don't draw their eastern Oregon choices would hunt the western Oregon units causing Huge hunter pressure increase which would Impact the number of Animals taken and the quality of the Hunt for everyone.

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#833]

Name	Richard Cook
Current city of residence	Pendleton
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I do not think that archery elk season in Eastern Oregon should be changed to a controlled hunt. If you are interested in reducing hunter densities to reduce over crowded units why not make hunters choose a weapon? If the hunter applies for a rifle or any legal weapon tag and is unsuccessful in the draw then they should have to either hunt during the Eastern Oregon spike only general season or hunt in one of the general units on the West side of the state and not be able to buy a general season archery elk tag. I believe that would reduce hunter numbers significantly.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I think that if you are really interested in the mule deer population, you will make serious changes to our state's predator problem. Such as bringing back hunting cougars with dogs, baiting for bears, and starting a wolf hunting season. These three things are the number one reason all animal numbers are down in our state, especially in Eastern Oregon. If there are no changes made to this problem soon there will be no deer or elk to worry about hunting in our state.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

I think it is a good idea to have both the deer and elk season going at the same time in that area.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#832]

Name	Dean Hatley
Current city of residence	La Grande
Email	sd800rxp@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes I'm for control general archery elk season
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes I'm for control general archery deer season
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move to November
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	WOLF SEASON!!!!!!

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 4:34 PM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#831]

Name	Adam Fagan
Current city of residence	Springfield
Email	adamjfagan@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I would like to keep the general season. Archery hunting is a tradition that has been passed down for generations and it would be terribly sad to miss out on the special family adventures that only come with hunting.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I would like to keep the general season. Archery hunting is a tradition that has been passed down for generations and it would be terribly sad to miss out on the special family adventures that only come with hunting.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I would like to see it moved to November.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	I would like to see improved control of cougars and the ability to trap or hunt them using dogs.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#830]

Name	Bryan Babcock
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I oppose a controlled season. First for those of us that waste \$8 a year chasing points for a "prime" controlled hunt like wehnaha will burn our stock pile to draw a normally open unit. Second the reason there are so many archery hunters is because of the short rifle seasons. I'd say manage the big game like they manage salmon but we know how well that's going.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I oppose the idea of controlled archery deer, most archery hunters get it as a just in case one steps in front of me while I'm elk hunting which rarely happens (because mule deer number suck) you guys get your cash and we rarely get a buck so great for you and I don't think you care about us anyway

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#829]

Name TRAVIS SCHNEIDER

Current Estacada
city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Just to stare off I do not like the proposals at all. Oregon is an opportunity state not a trophy state. I do agree that we must do something to control numbers on our herds. We must start with predator control. Thongs have been all downhill since outlawing hound hunting. We must control the predators and leave opportunity for the hunters. I have a five and seven year old kid and what will be left for the for opportunity if we don't control the predators. The department keeps charging more for licences and tags and taking away opportunity. That is mot the way business works. You must create a good/excellent product and the people will pay and follow. Thanks lets not take anything away if anything we need to give back to the sportsman the opportunity to hound hunt and help control the predators

2. **Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.** The same as above control control control the predators. I'm not saying kill them all but the check and balance is out of balance. We must not take away any more opportunity. If we take away opportunity we will have nothing left for our future generations. Because you give an inch and they will take a mile. And I do not bereave that a controlled draw is the answer. we must first start with predators and get it in check. Please something must be done because our deer numbers are down but cutting tags is not it at this point.CONTROL PREDATION

3. **West Cascade elk** any one of these proposals look good because we are not taking away any opportunity

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season):
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Cascades
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both
species at
same
time.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#828]

Name	Ted park
Current city of residence	scio
Email	tjscows@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	no bad idea. Loose lots of revenue because like myself I would just hunt out of state instead. Bring back hound hunting and manage predators more. Open wolf season
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	no hunt out of state. Most people like me don't target deer so why go over east to hunt them. Its just a tag that you have while you're elk hunting. If you get an opportunity at a buck its a bonus. Bow hunters would then just get a rifle western oregon tag instead. Over croud a poor area as it is.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	no it separates so not everyone is hunting at once
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	control the number out of state tags. You won't do that because its alot of your revenue

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#827]

Name	Daniel Lickteig
Current city of residence	Fossil
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes change to controlled. There are far too many people flooding the woods during archery. The elk are being too pressured during a critical time of breeding.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No opinion

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#826]

Name	Taylor Frost
Current city of residence	Redmond

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#825]

Name	Kyler Key
Current city of residence	Milton-Freewater
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Why so the wolves have more food? Just take more and more of our hunting privileges away and keep raising prices that makes sense. Oh wait no it doesn't you criminals.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	The way you have mismanaged the predator population there probably shouldn't be a deer season but you can't do that because you might not get your precious money.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I don't hunt in the western part of the state so I don't have much opinion other than you probably have mismanaged the populations over there as much as here.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	If you aren't going to actually do your job and get your balls out of Portland's purse and override hound hunting, then put a bounty on cougars or thin out the population. But you won't do it because your scared of some environmental group taking you to court. Why don't you use some of my hard earned money that I give to you every year to hunt this mismanaged state and get better lawyers.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#824]

Name	Brett Gesh
Current city of residence	Springfield
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No it won't solve anything the hunters aren't the problem. Predators are. You need actual science and data to make a decision like that.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No buck hunters aren't the problem. It's a predator problem.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep it the same
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	We need to control the predators. Giving us the opportunity to harvest a second fall bear was a start. You need to control the cougar population. Fish and wildlife should never be a voted on item. Odfw is paid to manage. the state should let you manage. I know you guys are up against a wall in many situations.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#823]

Name	Angela Sessions
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I am disappointed in your recent decision to make all of Eastern Oregon a controlled draw. I feel that from your announcement your decision doesn't make sense. There are fewer archery hunters than rifle and archery has a significantly lower success rate. If the problem is the number of elk taken each season it would make much more sense to cut the number of rifle tags not punish archers. Another suggestion is to limit out of state hunters. I feel your decision has nothing to do with the elk numbers.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I feel the same about archery deer changes as I do about the elk changes and the reasons match as well.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#822]

Name	Dominic Lovato
Current city of residence	Gresham
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I fully support this change, as well as obligating applicants to archery or rifle even if unsuccessful in the draw.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as above. I fully support this as well as obligating applicants to a weapon choice even if unsuccessful in the draw.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move elk to November

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#821]

Name	Tim Davis
Current city of residence	Creswell
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Don't change it. Hard enough to draw a tag as it is.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	See #1
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Allow dual species hunt
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Not right now

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#820]

Name Seth Graves

Current city of residence Lebanon

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

This would be a terrible idea. It would force thousands of archery hunters to the west side and make an already bad west side even worse. People have have traditions over East and this would damage that severely. The only way this would be ok is if you open up hound hunting for cougar and bear and also remove all wolves from the state. ODFW continues down a path that leads over a cliff and soon your poor management will end hunting all together. Stop trying to be so controlling. This is supposed to be a free country. Also need to end free range cattle grazing. If people want to raise cows they should do it on their own land. The cows are eating all of the elk forage and it is miserable trying to hunt areas where cows are.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. This is also a terrible idea. You need to have the ability to hunt deer with your archery elk tag. Not many hunters even tag out on one animal yet alone both. This is another classic example of trying to fill your pockets with our money instead of identifying the root cause of low deer numbers which is allowing cougar populations to skyrocket. Wolves also need to be dealt with but they are more damaging on the elk.

3. West Cascade elk Terrible idea. Rifle hunters already have a terrible chance at elk and elk in November's is extremely difficult. It is too far removed from the rut.

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Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#819]

Name	Joe Phillips
Current city of residence	Dallas
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	That's great idea if you're going to make the west as well! This will make the west become so overcrowded.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I don't think there's enough bowhunters in general to even creat a dent in the deer over east most people hunt elk bow hunting, maybe if it was a different season
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Hello Im sitting on 20 points (elk) I should have drew 10 years ago but life's life.i would like to split me points up instead of a all in mode. I've gone 20 with out a drawing and would rather see it as being able to split my points up. Thanks again

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#818]

Name	Curt Kemper
Current city of residence	SHERWOOD
Email	cjkemper17@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Fully support. Don't see any reason why archery should be managed differently than rifle in Eastern Oregon.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Fully support. Don't see any reason why archery should be managed differently than rifle in Eastern Oregon.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No preference as I do not plan to hunt in this area.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#817]

Name	Dale WEBB
Current city of residence	VERNONIA
Email	ikesays@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	It is about time, you can not manage what you do not control. Should have rolled this out state wide though, you will be back in a couple of years because of the issues it will create on the westside.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Again this is a good change, but archers have far lower impact on deer versus elk. Deer east-side of the state are in such poor shape, the department needs control on all hunting.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I have no input on this change.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Mirror the archery elk hunts and tag allocations with the rifle elk hunts, spike only hunts and tag ratio's. We need to get the bull ratio's back up in eastern Or.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#816]

Name Allen Childs

Current LaGrane
city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Support maintaining eastern Oregon general Archery elk and deer seasons. Would only support archery draw if: 1) the draw process applies statewide, not just eastern Oregon and 2) there is an equitable allocation of archery tags based on the document, much lower harvest rate than rifle seasons.

I believe big game drawing are inequitable for big game hunters that live in eastern Oregon due to competition with the west side hunting population. Perhaps this sounds selfish, but when you consider the consistent and annual inequitable share of Columbia River salmon and steelhead allocated time above Bonneville, My point is quite clear. When I hear ODFW staff response to this argument (E.g., this is the State of Oregon) eastern Oregonians choke as its complete BS. Let's see some equitable sharing of resources.

2. See above, applies to deer as well.

Archery
deer:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. West Cascade elk Include the added benefit of joint season as an added incentive for hunters. However, I don't think it equitable to offer this in a general hunt which still allows hunters to put in for eastern Oregon Draw and have this option as an over the counter tag.

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hunters
can
pursue
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time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

See above should EO archery go to draw. There should be an equitable share of tags based on harvest rates.

However, rifle and archery tags need to be managed to build healthy herds. Mule deer hunting in EO should be shut down for at least several seasons while herds rebound. Elk herds in several units are likely to see significant further declines in the LaGrande area in particular with elk de-emphasis zones and wolf depredation and many units continue

to see bull ratios and calve production well below MO's with calf production well below historic rates. In addition to better hunter management we need more predator control as well.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#815]

Name	Elijah Childs
Current city of residence	La Grande
Email	childse@oregonstate.edu
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I am strongly against this. Archery elk hunters have a very low success rate. Oregon provides great opportunities with OTC archery tags, if odfw moves to controlled hunts for archery then they will lose a lot of out of staters that come to Oregon to hunt.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I think it's ridiculous that archery deer is even being considered to be changed to a controlled season. Most people I know only purchase deer tags invade they see one during there elk hunt. Why not lower the high amount of deer tags issued during rifle season when success rates are much higher.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move the hunt to November.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	None

Nick Myatt

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Name	Travis Heiple
Current city of residence	John Day
Email	mouse_15bball@hotmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	This is a good idea. Archery needs to be controlled. They should pay the 8 dollar application fee just like the rifle and muzzleloader hunters. I would be for choose your weapon. I think running a controlled hunt would help desperse hunters in every unit and put less pressure on game throughout the year.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Some of the units for deer take many years to draw and archery hunters just go buy a tag and hunt any where. There needs to be some of unit control for archery hunters. I think at this point at time there needs to be a draw to help bring up the mule deer population.
3. West Cascade elk (general any–legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	West Cascade elk can stay as a general season.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Perhaps more traditional archery units

Nick Myatt

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Name	Kelly Johnson
Current city of residence	Albany
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Absolutely not, make people choose a weapon before putting in for hunts. (Rifle,bow,muzzle loader) if you don't draw you need to hunt with that weapon for general season.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No the same response for elk, choose your weapon before applying for your hunt.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep it as it is just raise the legal buck to be 3 pt. Or better for at least 5 years so we can actually have mature bucks in the state. This should be state wide.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	If anything don't increase the tag numbers, our elk and deer are dropping in drastic measures. With the lack of logging and private timber land being less accessible that in the years past.

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Name	daniel STAIR
Current city of residence	Hood River
Email	apple@gorge.net
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Older guys like me are "screen outs".
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Good Idea. PERIOD. It's what's best for the deer population. With that said. No Doe tags and same for all rifle. you can't keep killing the FACTORY and expect animals.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	NO DEER HUNTING. Cascades deer hunt SCREWS up the Archery. Besides, there ain't no deer left. WHY EVEN HAVE Cascades? Stupid is as STUPID DOES.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Oregon and Washington have mismanaged our Fish and Game to this condition. Money Money Money. I'm 77 years old and I've seen you guys let the god almighty dollar generate \$\$ while you caved to special interest pressures. QUESTION: What happened when you hire the biologists and directors of harvest? What the hell are you thinking the OVER selling of tags against the survival of the game. Guess the wolves can have two legs too. Not very good custodians of our game are you!!

Nick Myatt

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Name	Matthew Mcginnis
Current city of residence	Adair village
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>1. I would like to keep it general season for residence I would like to see limited tags for out-of-state hunters.</p> <p>2. Choose your weapon before tag draws</p>
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>1. I would like to keep it general season for residence I would like to see limited tags for out-of-state hunters.</p> <p>2. Choose your weapon before tag draws</p>
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	<p>Push it back to November</p>
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<p>1. Wolf hunts</p> <p>2. Hunt with dog for bears and cougars Put a tag limit on each area for each animal.</p> <p>3. Bate for bears and cougars. Put a tag limit on each area for each Animal.</p> <p>4. Make all Deer hunts 3 point or better. They made this change in Washington made huge difference.</p>

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Name	BRADLEY RHOADES
Current city of residence	Klamath Falls
Email	BIGBKFALLS@YAHOO.COM
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	GREAT
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	GREAT
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	MOVE

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#809]

Name	Kevin Lahart
Current city of residence	Sherwood
Email	lahartk@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I am not in favor of this change
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I am not in favor of this change

Nick Myatt

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Name	Alisa Fox
Current city of residence	Cove
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I do not believe that would be an appropriate thing to do. Many people look forward to being able to archery hunt right in their back yard in eastern Oregon. And honestly many aren't successful but it's the idea of being able to go out every year and experience it. Without having it as a general season many will go without meat or any chance of having the opportunity to have meat on their tables because everything else is a controlled season and not everyone will have the success of drawing and tag and usually rely on archery season to be their backup to rifle.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I do not believe that would be an appropriate thing to do. Many people look forward to being able to archery hunt right in their back yard in eastern Oregon. And honestly many aren't successful but it's the idea of being able to go out every year and experience it. Without having it as a general season many will go without meat or any chance of having the opportunity to have meat on their tables because everything else is a controlled season and not everyone will have the success of drawing and tag and usually rely on archery season to be their backup to rifle.

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#807]

Name	Wes Gibson
Current city of residence	Klamath Falls OR
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Against it. I would promote over the counter limit of tags that could be purchased for specific units and/or a combination of units where your tag is only good there. The draw system will put many people out of hunting having to resort to coastal hunting where this is little to no public land. With that being said those areas will become way over populated with hunters and would eventually impact the population there as well.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Against it. I would promote over the counter limit of tags that could be purchased for specific units and/or a combination of units where your tag was only good there. The draw system will put many people out of hunting having to resort to coastal hunting where this is little to no public land. With that being said those areas will become way over populated with hunters and would eventually impact the population there as well.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

I would promote over the counter limit of tags that could be purchased for specific units and/or a combination of units where your tag is only good there. This will still allow people to hunt but only in specific units instead of most of Oregon.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#806]

Name	BRANT HUBBARD
Current city of residence	CAMAS
Email	b_hubbard@comcast.net
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes – but pref program needs to allow like Washington for anyone to win not just the max pref point holders
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes – but pref program needs to allow like Washington for anyone to win not just the max pref point holders
3. West Cascade elk (general any–legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Can we move archery back 1–week line up with the rut

Nick Myatt

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Name	Josiah kuehl
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Changing elk season to a controlled hunt isn't just killing hunting for those who can only archery hunt but those that only know that. And not just about people you will be hurting but soon the elk will become over populated and before you know it you will be paying people to go out and saluter elk only to keep the population under control. And if you thought you had a problem him hunters complaining about it once you start saluter elk you will have a big up roar of people not just complaining but partitioning to shut you down, because you are causing more harm then help.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Changing elk season to a controlled hunt isn't just killing hunting for those who can only archery hunt but those that only know that. And not just about people you will be hurting but soon the elk will become over populated and before you know it you will be paying people to go out and saluter deer only to keep the population under control. And if you thought you had a problem him hunters complaining about it once you start saluter elk you will have a big up roar of people not just complaining but partitioning to shut you down, because you are causing more harm then help.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

keep the season the way it is and allow deer hunters to to hunt during elk season.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

please do not change the archery seasons to controlled hunts. Thank you for your time. Have a good day.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#804]

Name	RC Benson
Current city of residence	Lafayette
Email	rc_benson@yahoo.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Absolutely not! Bow hunting is hard enough to harvest an animal. There's no way the numbers will be better or the population will increase if you add controlled archery.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No! It needs to be 3 point or better across the board to get the population back to where it needs to be. Spike or better is ridiculous, if you kill all the young bucks who is left to re populate.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move season to November.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Change spike or better to 3 point or better west of the cascades for rifle season.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#802]

Name David Hamilton

Current city of residence Gresham

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Even though I do not support this strategy, I do believe over time it will help bring down the preference point gap for those hunts becoming unattainable. I've also noticed this strategy is inconsistent with your management reasonings when not including the western Oregon units within the controlled hunt area for both rifle and archery. By stopping short of full control you have essentially created yet another area of unequal opportunity and game dispersement. Once again, I do not want either of those to happen and by implementing this you will have crushed the endearing season qualities that all of us as sportsman, both rifle and archery, are enjoying.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. I'm not in support of this strategy. However, whereas in the past I used to see many deer while hunting, I do not see real mule deer bucks anymore and no longer envision them as my target. This strategy will not immediatly affect me and my family as we do not intend to purchase general archery deer tags in the foreseeable future.

3. West Cascade elk (general I think this is a no lose change either way, and I'm sure this will help some folks.

any-legal
weapon
season):
Move
season to
November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#801]

Name Logan Miles

Current city of residence Medford

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I disagree that this will not effect the western Oregon units and I hunt in Eastern Oregon most of the time. Impacts to western (anything left general really) units will be greater, most western zones are private timber lands that require permits for entry (more cost to the hunter). These numbers are limited so many of the archery hunters who would be unwilling to do a tag draw in Eastern Oregon will end up in Western Oregon with either a general bow or rifle tag and limited public land to hunt. It is the only way they can save any points for a unit with reasonable hunting opportunities. People are going to try and safe points so even though the roughly the same number of tags are available they will not want to waste points on a sub par elk unit that they would hunt some because it is close to home and is a general tag. Could end up with a bunch of leftover tags for the less desired units. This seems to punish only the dedicated archery hunters who don't just go buy an Archery tag after they have learned they did not draw the hunt they really wanted.

Consider forcing folks to decide on Archery seasons or Rifle seasons prior to the application deadlines, and instead of making all of eastern Oregon a draw for archery, make a few more select units where bow hunter populations are an issue a draw to limit the number of hunters (like Mt. Emily and a few other units are now). I do agree drawings in certain units would greatly improve the hunt for those who had the tag, so there are some positives.

This will greatly effect the points system and how folks apply for what units, especially those archery hunters who have been saving points for years to get a high quality hunt.

Even though there would not be much decrease in tag numbers for eastern Oregon that does not mean everyone would distribute evenly to other units. This plan will most certainly mean less bow hunters in the eastern part of the state regardless of the number of tags available.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I have the same concerns for this item as the first item on this form, so no need to repeat.

Additional considerations, allow archery hunters with eastern draw tags to hunt the late general archery seasons if they don't successfully fill the early season deer tag regardless of which unit it was for. Many archery hunters focus on elk in the early season since the seasons are at the same time. Late seasons provide opportunity to hunt deer. Success rates for early archery seasons are not very good in most locations.

The Steens Mtn unit is a good example of Eastern Oregon Archery draw results. It was a draw for a few years and there were significantly lower applicants than tags available so it ended up going back to general. Same thing could take place in many of the less productive units in Eastern Oregon. Could end up with a bunch of left over tags in the less desired units.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts) Both archery seasons (deer and elk) run at the same time so this limits the hunters ability to seek a deer tag in a different unit than an elk tag. There are more archery hunters in the units than in the past, however the success rates are still roughly half of that of rifle hunters. There is a reason 75% of the folks surveyed prefer rifle hunting, because bow hunting is less productive. So please keep that in consideration when making changes.

This feels like a way to generate more revenue, just charge more for the general tags to make up for the application fee you get from controlled hunts.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Rodney Carey
Current city of residence	Hermiston Oregon

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Name	Kary Krahel
Current city of residence	Mulino
Email	badmulepro@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Don't think the hunter success' percentage justify taking away opportunity. Hunters that Rifle hunt complain about "fairness" of longer season and bag limits etc. I am opposed to change. Would consider changing to rule of choose weapon at time of controlled hunt applications. You apply for Elk rifle and don't draw, no bow hunt elk.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Again, don't believe that hunter success is high enough to limit season. If the science shows mule deer in that much trouble cut rifle tag numbers substantially.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Don't really care on this one. The argument to change the dates sounds a lot like the argument used to change dates last time. Later season with snow equals too many bulls killed.....
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	If Bull ratios justify less harvest, stop all general spike hunts. Draw a tag for rifle elk or don't hunt in Eastern Oregon.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#798]

Name Travis Middleton

Current Tualatin
city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

These are some of the worst ideas I have ever seen, to make only eastern Oregon controlled will just make the hunting on the coast a absolute nightmare. The hunting on the coast is already horribly over crowded and making eastern Oregon draw will just make it worse. I think the entire state needs to be a controlled hunt for archery if that's the route you're going to go. I will just say I have only been hunting for 4 years and I am already on the edge of dropping out or only hunting in other states because the archery hunting here is so over crowded and the experience is not enjoyable, I come from a family that has been hunting here since the early 70's and even as a youth I never picked it up because my father always had a poor experience during the rifle seasons and little to no success....if you guys continue to manage things this way I am going to guess new hunter recruitment will be low and the amount of people who will stick with it will be small. There are to many archery hunters now, the season is no better than rifle, if anything it's worse because when you have this many people it makes calling a nightmare. Archery needs to be controlled and tags need to be cut so that the quality of the hunt is not the garbage it's become.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#797]

Name Ben Schaller

Current city of residence Milwaukie

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

No, I do not support this decision. While this could be a reason for lower Elk numbers, I do not see this bring the Elk numbers back up or it being the main reason for low numbers. As you said in the video trying to get the info and hunt in Oregon is hard enough. This will only make it more complicated. With Archery being the most difficult and now this would take away over half the states hunting if not as it would be a draw. I would like to see some stats on the Elk population at the start of the year, then how many were killed by, rifle, bow and predators and natural causes. Then we can look at some data and make a decision. I feel like all I ever hear is over hunting or restriction on hunting to help animal population.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

No, I do not support this decision. While this could be a reason for lower Deer numbers, I do not see this bring the Deer numbers back up or it being the main reason for low numbers. As you said in the video trying to get the info and hunt in Oregon is hard enough. This will only make it more complicated. With Archery being the most difficult and now this would take away over half the states hunting if not as it would be a draw. I would like to see some stats on the Deer population at the start of the year, then how many were killed by, rifle, bow and predators and natural causes. Then we can look at some data and make a decision. I feel like all I ever hear is over hunting or restriction on hunting to help animal population.

3. West Cascade elk (general) I am not currently hunting and don't have a strong say either way on the date change. I think allowing Elk and Deer at the same time would be okay.

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weapon
season):
Move
season to
November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Try not to make it impossible to hunt. I recently just started to hunt this year. It's already hard enough learning all the rules, perfecting my hunting craft, getting better at shooting the bow. Figuring out where to hunt. I'm hoping to hunt with some friends and learn from them. The OTC Tag for Archery allows me to get a tag and hunt with all my friends. Some live in Forest Grove so we will hunt Trask and Saddle MTN. I have other friends who live in Eugene and Salem who hunt different units. If we go to a draw now not only do I have to pick and choose my units but also possibly limits who I can hunt with.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#796]

Name	Jeff Kruggel
Current city of residence	Medford
Email	jeff_kruggel2006@yahoo.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No, Don't change for Residents. Yes, for non residents.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No, Don't change for Residents. Yes, for non residents.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep the same dates.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	All western Oregon General deer and elk tags should go to a controlled draw. (Limited tags per unit, rifle only) Make the entire state of Oregon fork antler or larger for buck deer. Make all non resident hunting for deer and elk controlled draw.

Nick Myatt

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Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 2:08 PM
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#795]

Name Travis Clowers

Current city of residence Terrebonne

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Statistics show that oregon bowhunter harvest is very low on elk. I have bowhunted for over 20 years and while there is way more people hunting most of them are road hunters! I can get away from crowds and have a good hunt away from other hunters. I currently like the 30 day season but wish all units were one elk instead of bull only in some. Draw units for bow is not necessary! Harvest success is the same for ever . Just charge more for tags if you need that \$8 from all bowhunters. As a disabled veteran you should offer more disability hunts for us and more one elk units than you have. Why do you have all the rifle cow tags in units that are archery bull only? Fire season really dictates if i have to change elk units halfway thru season some years and a draw wouldnt allow that. Gun hunters usually dont have to worry about that. No draw hunt please.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. Not needed . Just bust more road hunters for archery deer . Quite letting rifle hunters kill these little spikes and fork horns. Washington has a lot of 3 pt min on deer. Do that for 5 years and see what quality bucks you end up with. Deer are very skittish and hard to bowhunt . Sometimes we need to change units during fire season to even find deer. Dont make it a draw . Please

3. West Cascade elk (general any- Move to november and sell less tags. No draw needed. Or let them Hunt deer and elk at same time. Idaho does it. Been working fine for them for a long time.

legal weapon
season): Move
season to
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dates but
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hunting in
Cascades to
continue
during elk
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hunters can
pursue both
species at
same time.

4. Other
changes being
considered
(incl. tag
numbers/hunt
tables for
specific
hunts)

More archery one elk and not bull only. More units available for disabled hunters.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Travis Hardwick
Current city of residence	La grande
Email	hardwick.tr@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I disagree.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I disagree
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep current dates.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Hunters is not the problem here. It's all the predators. Make its so if someone turns in a cougar or a bear you give them points for better hunting units to keep populations in areas down. Also let hound hunting hunt for bear/cougar at least 30 days outta the year and you will see the population in deer and elk come back up to the numbers we outdoorsmen need to desperately see. Hope you guys consider my statement and get back to me as in why you chose the decision that you choose. Thanks.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#793]

Name	Chase Barnes
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	As a rifle hunter I'm all for it.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Again as a rifle hunter I'm all for it.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Archery hunters would have to wear orange. And I could see alot of confrontation between archery and rifle hunters.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	If necessary then yes. Plus fewer restrictions on cougar hunting for example the use of dogs.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#792]

Name	Andrew Bauer
Current city of residence	Forest Grove
Email	gilldrew@aol.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Keep general season. Better predator management. Reduce wolves.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Keep general season, better predator management. Reduce wolves
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No comment
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	No comment

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#791]

Name Tristan Earls-Propst

Current city of residence Albany

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I am against this change because I really appreciate the opportunity to hunt every year. My family gets general tags every year and we spend a week to two weeks camping and elk hunting at starkey. I apply for weneha and currently have 19 points. I am 31 years a old so that should tell you that I've never had a controlled elk tag. I am all for regulating archery and rifle hunting and game management but I do not like the idea of not hunting in Oregon for elk for a season. I would like to see a more creative way to make rifle hunting more appealing and cut down general archery tag holders. I think this is the right direction but not where I want us to be.

Thank you.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. I usually have this tag in my pocket during archery elk season, I would like to see it stay that way but I'm not as concerned about losing this privilege as I am about losing the general archery elk.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to No real opinion. I would like to see the herd grow and be at management objectives--- that should increase success rates down the line.

November OR

keep current

dates but

allow deer

hunting in

Cascades to

continue

during elk

season so

hunters can

pursue both

species at

same time.

4. Other N/a

changes being

considered

(incl. tag

numbers/hunt

tables for

specific

hunts)

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#790]

Name Dominic Carollo

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1. I support making archery elk a controlled hunt opportunity, not only in eastern Oregon, but across the entire state.

Archery
elk:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

2. I have no experience with eastern Oregon archery deer so I have no comment.

Archery
deer:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. **West** no comments
Cascade

elk
(general
any–legal
weapon
season):
Move
season to
November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Oregon should strongly consider getting more creative with the hunts and seasons it offers, as many other western states do.

The current proposal is a step in the right direction but ODFW should consider doing more. In my opinion, by giving hunters more hunt options, perhaps through an increased number, but shorter duration, seasons, you may help improve some of the point creep problems in the draw, as well as decrease pressure.

For instance, with respect to the current proposal for archery elk, ODFW should consider two separate archery seasons, early and late--an early two week hunt the first two weeks of september and a late two week hunt the last two weeks of september. This is how many of New Mexico's archery hunts are structured, as an example. ODFW should create similar hunt options for rifle bulls. Instead of having a single any bull season, as is the case in most units, ODFW should offer early and late any bull seasons. Hunts with expected higher success rates should have fewer tags than those with lower success rates. This would help spread pressure, give hunters more options about how they want to use preference points, and more variability in success rates--ultimately, more opportunities for higher quality hunts. Right now, there is a huge disparity between quality hunts and hunts that people can draw every couple years--very little exists in the way of hunts that fall somewhere in between and it should be one of ODFW's top priorities to fix that.

ODFW should consider doing similar things with deer, particularly rifle deer. One example: if ODFW offered 10-20 tags for mid-november rifle hunts in every eastern Oregon deer unit, it would probably help spread demand for the very few high demand rifle deer hunts ODFW currently offers and reduce point creep. ODFW seems to be exploring this concept, like with the rut hunt in White river, but it should be expanded--even if it means modestly reducing october deer hunting opportunities.

I appreciate ODFW's historical emphasis on supporting hunter opportunity but I am among those hunters that would like to see a shift to a stronger emphasis on hunt quality.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#789]

Name clint milton

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city of
residence

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1. At very least a controlled unit for heppner, Northside, and desolation units I grew up in monument and the elk numbers have dropped significantly on public lands and what's there does not stay long before retreating to private lands only to be killed in mass numbers by fee hunters, damage control tags and guided hunts.

Archery
elk:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

2. Definitely needs to be a controlled hunt with very few tags given out for heppner and Northside very few deer and few bucks, and what's killed is never mature so possibly a point minimum for bucks could help.

Archery
deer:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. **West** Not sure to not hunt these units
Cascade

elk
(general
any-legal
weapon
season):
Move
season to
November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

I understand that heppner unit is a very popular unit and makes the state a lot of revenue but there should not have been a late season buck hunt added, there are already far to many tags and not enough mature bucks there are beginning to be more elk in smaller herds but only in slight numbers it seems.

I know this is probably the top for this most of the time but what about WOLVES!!!!!!! I understand there are only so many collared wolf's and only in certain areas but I have grown up trapping coyotes and spent more time in the woods then most being in a logging family and have came across far more then there are supposed to be let alone with in 30 minutes of Monument I understand this is and was not a single one person's choice and they are probably long gone

but if anyone wishes for the elk population to continue to grow and the deer to thrive like they did there needs to something done about predator control not just wolves but cats, bears and coyotes.

Thank you for your time keep up the good work and don't think it's for nothing it may seem like no one is happy about things but ODFW does great things with the resources they have.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#788]

Name Silas Turner

Current North Powder
city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Quite honestly this change is long overdue and I'm personally glad to see it "hopefully" come to fruition. I am in support of making each unit a controlled draw unit for Archery. Living in Eastern Oregon and hunting in many of the units in Northeastern Oregon I have seen both a marked change in the quality of archery hunting and the number of hunters in these units over the past 20 years. Many of my recent archery hunts have been un-enjoyable either due to confrontation and overcrowding of hunters in certain areas, to elk that are so "call shy" that they stampede in the opposite direction at the hint of a bugle or a cow call. There will no doubt be a substantial amount of push back by some hunters initially, but I believe this measure will increase the quality of archery hunting in Eastern Oregon over time.

There is however, one exception to this theory, and that is predator management. It is my further hope that ODFW takes as bold of a stance when it comes to predator management in these same Eastern Oregon hunting units. If ODFW drops the ball here, then this new proposal will be all for not!

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I would support the change from general to controlled season for Archery deer for many of the same reasons as I mentioned in the previous response. However, I have even more conviction about this particular proposal. Our mule deer herds in eastern Oregon continue to be decimated year after year and the causes for the continual decline are well known i.e. over predation due to cougars and wolves, harsh winters, and mismanagement. As a life-long eastern Oregon native it is frankly gut-wrenching to watch the mule deer population on public land continue to dwindle. Something has to be done and soon! While managing mother nature and the severity of Winters is obviously out of our control, sound game management and predator control are not. I believe the proposal to limit the number of archery

hunters in each of these units is an adequate first step in the sound management process. I would further like to see ODFW implement a minimum antler point requirement for buck deer harvest during the rifle season in these same units. I would propose that except for youth hunters (under age 18), a 3-point or better requirement be put into place. This would obviously give younger buck deer the chance to mature as well as increase overall buck deer numbers and maintain a strong base of mature mule deer bucks for breeding.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#787]

Name	William Cook
Current city of residence	La grande
Email	williamcook951@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No. We need general season tags cause controlled hunts are damn near impossible to get. 20 years for wenaha and mount Emily. This is my back yard and i can't even hunt it. Out of towners and staters ruin it for us. Oh ya and the wolves and cougars. Start hunting them with dogs again. These wolves we got need taken down too
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	We need general tags. When you depend on wild game to eat it is not fair to make us gamble with our tags. I see so many wolves and cougars its no wonder ther deer population is nill. I can drive 5 hours in prime land and not see one deer. Archery season is busiest work time and don't get time off. We need general season rifle
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Should keep seasons at the same time. But i shouldn't have much say about that cause I'm from eastern Oregon not west
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	We need more local hunters. Limit the non local or out of state hunters.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#786]

Name	Rodney Garrison
Current city of residence	Bend
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	NO!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	NO!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Run concurrently.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Sell tags for bobcats for \$10-20 each.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#785]

Name Reed Graves

Current Imbler Oregon
city of
residence

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1. Wouldn't be bad to to make archery controlled but make it to where you can actually get a tag every year!
Archery My worry's is every unit is going to end up like wenaha and Mt. Emily unit where it takes 20 years to be able
elk: to hunt! Cause I know if there is a chance of not having a tag I will start making plans to go out of state!
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

2. Same reasoning as elk want to lower over crowding but still want everyone to be able to hunt.
Archery
deer:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. **West** Don't hunt the west but sounds like a mess.
Cascade

elk
(general
any-legal
weapon
season):
Move
season to
November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Maybe instead of looking at hunters being the reason why elk and deer numbers have dropped but start looking at the predators like giving out more spring bear tags, allowing dogs to hunt cougars and maybe bears based off numbers and start giving out wolf tags! The wolf's are taking over the eastern part of the state which in my option why the farms and private lands are getting the majority of elk! Cause elk are chased into farmers fields way before snow levels get unbearable. All in all I would like to see wolves and predators being control more so than limiting tag numbers. But In the end this isn't going to make a difference and my group will start going elsewhere out of state to hunt!

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#784]

Name	Tyson Wicklander
Current city of residence	La Grande
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Absolutely not
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes, our deer numbers are horrible
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No, deer need help
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<p>Bring back dog hunting, our predator numbers are insanely ridiculous.</p> <p>And there is absolutely no reason that a bear tag, like mount Emily should take 6 years to draw. I saw 34 different bears and only hunted 3 drainages. That is terrible for our elk calves. That tag should be every couple years at max. It's already a tough area to hunt because of big country and long distance tries at animals.</p>

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#783]

Name	Randy Marchbanks
Current city of residence	Bend
Email	tumalocreek@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	So this will create thousands upon thousands if not millions of dollars for ODFW in application fees, And lessen our chances of being able to hunt if we don't draw a tag. How ever ODFW retains our app, fee so their income will raise substantially as we set at home with no tag. If this is the way I feel we people east of the cascades should at least get a preference point over valley residents.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	So this will create thousands upon thousands if not millions of dollars for ODFW in application fees, And lessen our chances of being able to hunt if we don't draw a tag. How ever ODFW retains our app, fee so their income will raise substantially as we set at home with no tag. If this is the way I feel we people east of the cascades should at least get a preference point over valley residents.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	This would help decrease some pressure on eastern Or
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Choose your weapon before you apply.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#782]

Name	Clifford Lindenburger
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Would rather see people have to make a choice on weapon used. If you put in for s rifle hunt then you have to hunt with a rifle, if you put in for a archery hunt then you have to hunt with archery equipment. If it is a draw for eastern units the you should still be able to hunt western.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Would rather see people have to make a choice on weapon used. If you put in for s rifle hunt then you have to hunt with a rifle, if you put in for a archery hunt then you have to hunt with archery equipment. If it is a draw for eastern units the you should still be able to hunt western.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

I think it would be a good idea to let people hunt both at the same time.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#781]

Name	Jacob Sarver
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

The change doesn't seem to be right to take away the general tag from the portion of the state that has the more prolific elk herds and not remove it from the western side, where in areas, the elk are struggling to survive. If there was a split or a limited general tag quota for both sides of the state that allow for people to choose and allow control of the tag amounts.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

If there is going to be a change to controlled hunts for deer in eastern Oregon then I believe that there should also be a portion of these tags that allow for the late season or rut hunts with a bow. Overall I think that if there is going to be a change in controlled hunts to general hunts then they should be state wide and not east and west.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

Move it to November but make it a controlled hunt in all the southern Oregon units. This allows for hunters to make the choice on what units to apply for but if they do not draw then they are not overwhelming the other units.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

I think that a review of the nonresident hunting tags is required and the costs associated with these should be consistent with other elk states. Similar to other states there should only be draw opportunity for nonresident hunters and the costs for their application should be a significant amount higher.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#780]

Name	Billy Smith
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No. The draw units already are fine.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move to November

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#779]

Name	Mike Sudan
Current city of residence	Gresham
Email	Msudan0331@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Agree. Do it for both eastern and western. The coast is a nightmare for rifle and archery.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Agree
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Yes
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Way too many hunters in the woods at one time. Especially on the coast where public land is sandwiched with timber properties.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#778]

Name	Jacob Eby
Current city of residence	La Grande
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#777]

Name	Jessica Bywater
Current city of residence	Bend
Email	jessicabywater00@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No change is needed!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No change is needed!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No change is needed!
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	No change is needed!

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#776]

Name	Rod Bywater
Current city of residence	Bend
Email	rodbywater222@yahoo.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Please do not change!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Please do not change!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Please do not change!
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Please do not change!

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#775]

Name	Cody VanderZanden
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I do not agree with this change. We have a damage control tag that is out around our valley that is going to put way more of a devastation to our elk population than archery season will. With archery hunting being in the draw, hunters will not be able to save points for their dream hunts such as Mt. Emily and Wenaha. Archery elk should be left alone and kept the way it is.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I personally believe we need a minimum 5 season break from mule deer hunting. Our mule deer numbers are too low and I honestly believe shutting every mule deer season down for 5 years would make a huge impact on the population.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#774]

Name	David Gonzalez
Current city of residence	Post
Email	dave32g@yahoo.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>As a avid archery hunter I like the idea of eastern Oregon being controlled, but as a Easter Oregon resident I would like to see the whole state go to a draw.</p> <p>Even if western Oregon is unlimited first choice.</p> <p>Too many western Oregon residents can stash their points and apply eastern then hunt their back yard making it harder for Easter. locals to get tags in their own back yard.</p>
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>Oregon deer is a joke and I don't think this will have much of a impact either way.</p> <p>We need some type of predator control.</p> <p>Or at very least a antler restriction so these year and half old bucks have a chance.</p>
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No opinion
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<p>Bring back the second chance draw.</p> <p>I personally know many people who apply for second choice tags with no intention of every buying them.</p> <p>I also know there are a handful of other tags people draw good tags and for one reason or another don't ever buy.</p> <p>I think it would increase hunter opportunity</p>

And be a huge opportunity to increase revenue in the state not just in tag sales but application fees.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Zach Sweeney
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Limited opportunities don't benefit Oregon hunters. Up your predator control. No wonder ungulate populations are suffering. You allow wolves with no management. And need to bring back hound hunting for cougars and bear. 10% success rates according to rifle hunters is just decimating elk and deer?? C'mon. Base it off science not a poll that primarily taken by rifle hunters. Your going to force people out of hunting or to other states where they are able to manage their game appropriately.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Limited opportunities don't benefit Oregon hunters. Up your predator control. No wonder ungulate populations are suffering. You allow wolves with no management. And need to bring back hound hunting for cougars and bear. 10% success rates according to rifle hunters is just decimating elk and deer?? C'mon. Base it off science not a poll that primarily taken by rifle hunters. Your going to force people out of hunting or to other states where they are able to manage their game appropriately.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

Allow deer season and elk season to coincide.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Chris Harper
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Nope
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Nope
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move back to November

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 12:49 PM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#770]

Name	jeff jundt
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I hunt the Heppner unit, I apply for The Mt emily tag. I have 10 points for Emily. If I apply for Heppner I will loose my points for Emily? Can I draw Heppner on a second choice?

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#769]

Name	Joshua Komp
Current city of residence	Scappoose
Email	jkomp@corniceconstruction.net
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	NO! It would eliminate our ability to hunt every year and Western Oregon is becoming too permit controlled by Timber companies.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No, same as above

Nick Myatt

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Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 12:44 PM
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#768]

Name	Debbie Axtell
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Current city of residence	Warren
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

This idea is a joke not only does it take away from archery hunters it also takes away from the youth who are just getting started even the idea of doing this is absurd. Odfw is doing a good job at screwing up hunting for everybody in Oregon why can't odfw learn how to better manage the predators. Then there would be more animals and less people bitching.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#767]

Name Josh Vail

Current city of residence Carlton

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

This would be a poor choice for opportunities for hunters and is derived from an obviously poor set of data that does not include a high confidence interval data set of predation law changes against your timeline and a clear control study group or groups that both include predation, winter ranges, and food sources. Also per capita hunter qty within groups is not aligned with your data set. This is the same for deer and likely more error there.

I am surprised at this proposal to see that in the long term this will cause major decline in financial income to the state, ODFW, small "hunting" town stops...

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

This would be a poor choice for opportunities for hunters and is derived from an obviously poor set of data that does not include a high confidence interval data set of predation law changes against your timeline and a clear control study group or groups that both include predation, winter ranges, and food sources. Also per capita hunter qty within groups is not aligned with your data set. This is the same for elk although your error likely less with elk species.

I am surprised at this proposal to see that in the long term this will cause major decline in financial income to the state, ODFW, small "hunting" town stops...

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon) I think this should stay the same as it spreads out the opportunities and allows industry to increase sales as people adjust their hunting opportunities to their life schedule and will often increase purchase and local financial support for the variety of seasons.

season): Move
season to
November OR
keep current
dates but
allow deer
hunting in
Cascades to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters can
pursue both
species at
same time.

4. Other There must be a more honest and transparent study, action, on natural predation in Oregon. This is a
changes being hot topic of course and people on both sides have extreme emotions regarding this. With proper data
considered sets and study we can let the data make the decision as long as data is agreed upon and methods of
(incl. tag collection. Transparency needs to be achieved... not just an elementary graph (shown in video) but a
numbers/hunt fine multi data set study and explanation of data collected and an agreement of this is needed.
tables for
specific
hunts)

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#766]

Name	KARL CLINE
Current city of residence	Klamath Falls
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I feel this is a horrible idea. Bottom line the archery hunters kill less elk than the rifle hunters. Archery is far more difficult and challenging than rifle hunting. One of the best parts of being an archery hunter is being able to be mobile. I feel Oregon should put an archery competency/skills requirement in place to stop the rifle hunters that buy a bow a week before season. That would cut the numbers back drastically.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Once again I feel it's a horrible idea. I've talked to countless archery deer hunters and they all have said if this happens they'll start rifle hunting. At least then if they see one they can shoot it. All the rifle hunters that are crying that it's not fair will really be crying when it gets considerably harder to draw tags. Archery is far more difficult and challenging than rifle hunting, it definitely should not be treated the same.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I would have to say move it back to November. That will be a mess in the woods with both deer and elk hunters at the same time. There just isn't enough real estate especially if you make all of archery a draw and you have half the archery hunters that didn't draw on top of the already high number of people
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	The best thing that ever was put in place for the west side was the deer hunting being forked horn or better. That needs to be put back in place and sooner rather than later.

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#765]

Name Matt Tiller

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I can agree with how you guys are approaching this "overcrowding" problem with a draw system and that it may be an outdated system. My concern with the change is that some hunters like myself archery hunt and like to buy preference points for rifle until we can draw a rifle bull tag. I'm worried that the new draw system wouldn't separate archery and rifle preference points. So my comment would be this: If ODFW decided on making Eastern Oregon a draw archery tag, I think there should be Archery preference points and Rifle (any legal weapon) points separate from one another and the opportunity to apply for both yearly. If the hunter is successful in drawing both rifle and Archery tags they would be able to choose which way they wanted to hunt that year but obviously not both.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. I can agree with this as well given the deer low population. I believe that a "3 point buck" or better should be implemented and doe season closed until populations recover. But once populations do recover I would like to see archery and rifle preference points separated and be able to apply for both yearly.
On the other hand I feel like predation is to blame for low deer population and that ODFW isn't doing enough to address this issue. I think that opinion is shared by a majority of hunters.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR I have no comment.

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Cascades to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters can
pursue both
species at
same time.

4. Other
changes being
considered
(incl. tag
numbers/hunt
tables for
specific
hunts)

I have no comment.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#764]

Name	Dezi Axtell
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I think it's absolutely ridiculous to change eastern Oregon archery season to a controlled hunt. "Catering" to the rifle hunters is asinine. Archery hunting is challenging enough as it is now we have to burn points ,that we've been saving for years for once in a lifetime units, on a unit that shouldn't have to be a controlled unit in the first place. ODFW is doing a great job of ruining hunting in Oregon for current and future generations.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#763]

Name	James HILL
Current city of residence	Grants Pass
Email	solabola@charter.net
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Great Idea, I hunt archery elk in eastern oregon every year. This should make for a better hunt
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	again, good idea
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I am not for this, our deer need a break

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#762]

Name	Jason Miley
Current city of residence	Scio
Email	Milo76@live.com
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	I wanted to add more. I think before purchasing a hunting license an individual has to select rifle or bow hunting for that year and that's what they can only put in for. Rifle seasons or bow seasons

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#761]

Name Braxten Anderson

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Changing general archery to a draw will ruin hunting in Oregon, there are lots of people that count on that tag as a last resort to put food on their family's table if they don't happen to draw any other tags. If you truly want to help manage deer and elk populations bring back hunting with with dogs for bear and cougar. We have an over abundance of predators and our numbers show it, you can't deny that not to mention the ever growing problem of wolves. If you want to help manage our wildlife then start managing our predators that's what will make the difference. That's also what will show the people you're trying to make a difference, most of the people I know are done spending money in Oregon if this goes through. In one of the videos posted by odfw stated that massive amounts of predators has risen and the decline of hunters in the last 30 years. This is a predator problem not a hunter problem.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Changing general archery to a draw will ruin hunting in Oregon, there are lots of people that count on that tag as a last resort to put food on their family's table if they don't happen to draw any other tags. If you truly want to help manage deer and elk populations bring back hunting with with dogs for bear and cougar. We have an over abundance of predators and our numbers show it, you can't deny that not to mention the ever growing problem of wolves. If you want to help manage our wildlife then start managing our predators that's what will make the difference. That's also what will show the people you're trying to make a difference, most of the people I know are done spending money in Oregon if this goes through. In one of the videos posted by odfw stated that massive amounts of predators has risen and the decline of hunters in the last 30 years. This is a predator problem not a hunter problem.

4. Other changes being considered Bring back hunting cougars and bears with dogs manage the predators not the hunters!

(incl. tag
numbers/hunt
tables for
specific
hunts)

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#760]

Name	joe guizzotti
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Archery success is already a low number in eastern Oregon. Part of the problem with archery hunter numbers is you allow people to not decide how they are going to hunt before putting in for controlled hunts. There are a lot of rifle hunters that switch to archery if they don't get a controlled hunt tag. Make people choose their hunting preference when they apply for controlled hunts.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Same as above. If this goes to controlled hunt only and the state allows the cougar and wolf population to grow like they have I will not be buying a hunting or fishing license in the state of Oregon

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#759]

Name Cody Paratore

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I do not like this because it will highly limit opportunity. My family has been saving points for 15–17 years with the goal of hunting one of the top three units. We also just recently started hunting elk over east and fell in love. Elk camp is something that we look forward to every year. Now if the seasons are moved to draw tags we will be forced to choose between hunting "general" archery season in Northside where we love, which would be maybe a couple points, or continue saving and hunt the coast. This sucks because we would have to pick, burn all my points on what used to be general or keep saving. That seriously sucks. Now I understand that the thought process is to regulate hunter numbers over east. What about the coast? With these new changes the coast would be swamped with hunters since it would be the only true OTC units. This will just create a huge problem on the coast.

Please do not take away our ability to freely hunt all across the state. That opportunity is what was able to get me and my family into hunting elk.

Maybe instead of going to controlled hunts you should consider making archery season shorter. Most people take one week to hunt anyways. The last two weeks of September would be fine.

Or our point system should be amended to include these new changes. Such as having a draw and points specifically for the units that would now have limited access.

I guess my point is that taking away opportunity drives hunters away and that means less funding. And with less funding you can not manage as well and the numbers will decrease anyways. I really do not think that opportunity should be taken away.

2. Archery deer: I do not agree with taking away people ability to hunt but I do agree that something needs to be done. Instead of all controlled, maybe select certain units that are severely struggling and see if the populations rebound.

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from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. West Cascade I can see both sides of this. It is cool to hunt both at the same time, but if you move the seasons it would help with hunter numbers without taking away from the people

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weapon
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OR keep
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deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#758]

Name Matthew Sprague

Current city of residence Newberg

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I'm preparing a substantial letter in opposition which I will be sending direct to the Commission. This is a bad idea all around for Oregon hunters. This state continues to reduce opportunities and has been for about 40 years. To remove the best opportunity to hunt every year is a nail in the coffin. Something we'll never get back. Unfortunately, most of the hunters in this state have a poor view of ODFW management, whether your fault or not. This will incense them even more. Even a rifle hunter still has an opportunity if they don't draw. Don't pit these two groups against each other. It takes years to hone an archery craft and it can't be done hunting every 2,3,4 or 5 years. And what about the guys with a lot of points saving up for the big three? You leave them hanging out to dry. Blow my points or keep building them and not hunt for 6, 8, 10 or 12 years. That is a horrible thing to do. And how are you going to keep youth interest? Sorry son/daughter/wife. We can only hunt occasionally. Your revenue will also go down drastically because out of state hunters will basically lose their opportunity and oregon won't be work applying for. States should be kinder to each other. Lets not continue to set a bad example.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Basically the same comments as for Elk. I'm preparing a substantial letter in opposition which I will be sending direct to the Commission. This is a bad idea all around for Oregon hunters. This state continues to reduce opportunities and has been for about 40 years. To remove the best opportunity to hunt every year is a nail in the coffin. Something we'll never get back. Unfortunately, most of the hunters in this state have a poor view of ODFW management, whether your fault or not. This will incense them even more. Even a rifle hunter still has an opportunity if they don't draw. Don't pit these two groups against each other. It takes years to hone an archery craft and it can't be done hunting every 2,3,4 or 5 years.

3. West Cascade elk No comment. Not my area of expertise

(general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Well I wish we'd stop blaming a million issues for our poor deer population. Its staring us in the face. Predators. You may not have the tools to deal with them but I don't see any new ideas coming out of ODFW to address the problem. You want deer, you have to deal with predators. Don't know how many times hunters have to tell you this before you get it or start working towards viable solutions and options for addressing it.

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#757]

Name	Joshua Ponciano
Current city of residence	Bend
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Completely opposed to this. This will force archers to concentrate in areas on the West-side. This will also decrease opportunity for those who cannot/will not travel to the West-side.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Completely opposed to this. This will force archers to concentrate in areas on the West-side. This will also decrease opportunity for those who cannot/will not travel to the West-side.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move season to November.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	When applying for controlled hunts there needs to be changes made to differentiate hunts that include spike hunts/cow hunts. If someone accidentally applies for a cow or spike hunt that can be drawn with zero points or as a second choice there should be some type of warning that appears to prevent burning points by mistake. The hunt codes should be located in a separate location in the synopsis and the codes should be separated by more than one number or letter.

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#756]

Name	Eric szewc
Current city of residence	grants pass
Email	epszewc@msn.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	yes
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	yes
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	november

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 12:00 PM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#755]

Name	Sheldon Bywater
Current city of residence	Eagle point
Email	bywaterdesign@hotmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No!!!
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Deer hunting: only 3 point or more! Wolfs: shoot all Cougars: shoot all Bears: open dogs back up!

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 11:59 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#754]

Name	Alec Sheard
Current city of residence	Athena
Email	tripdog123@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Please manage the predators better and sooner like before we already have single digit calf to cow ratios!! so that you don't have to cut tags and take opportunity away from sportsman!!!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	The department needs sole authority to make decisions for what's best for our deer and elk numbers. Not liberal hack jobs that don't even like hunting or the hunters that enjoy the outdoors!!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Just wait 5yrs and the predation problem on the west side will grow and destroy the west herds also. And your way to fix it will be to give the sportsman the shaft and cut tags because your to stupid to fix the real problems!!!
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	PLEASE stand up for hunters and against liberal politicians that don't let you make the decisions needed to help our elk and deer herds!!! The game department is politically biased and is the number 1 reason for our herds problems!!

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 11:53 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#753]

Name	Jason Miley
Current city of residence	Scio
Email	Milo76@live.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Change to controlled like most rifle hunts are now. Only seems fair
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as elk on above comment
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Allow deer hunting during elk season as long as odfw keeps tabs on herd management objectives
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<p>I think all controlled and general buck seasons should have an antler restriction to 3 point or better. Unless the hunter is a youth than they can harvest a forked horn. With the antler restrictions described above, maybe the western deer season could extend into mid november, giving hunters more opportunity to harvest a mature buck.</p> <p>On a different note, the tagging system REALLY needs to go back to the old way before e-TAGGING. I have seen so many cases where the system does not work at all offline. This is a huge issue!</p>

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 11:53 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#752]

Name	Jesse Morrison
Current city of residence	Sandy
Email	Tradeup11@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I support this, it is a good idea.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I support this it is a good idea.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep dates but allow deer hunting during elk season.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	A controlled any deer hunt in eastern Oregon that falls within the 2nd season elk hunt times.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 11:50 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#751]

Name	Andrew Green
Current city of residence	Powell Butte
Email	andy@wildindoorstaxidermy.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Units with high hunter densities should be the only ones considered for controlled NOT animal densities since Archery hunters have a minor role in herd reduction compared to rifle hunters.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Units with herd reduction make 3 point or better. Also, consider implementing a predator reduction process possibly with draw hound permits.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Rifle hunting is what has the highest hunter success so consider reducing tag numbers for rifle.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 11:48 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#750]

Name	Melanie Shipley
Current city of residence	Oregon City
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

My only comments to this will be in order to get our population numbers back up is to reduce the number of predators we have.. go back and look at the cougar count before 1994 when the hound hunting was shut down compared to the numbers of today... I've spent many miles in the woods and have seen my fair share of Bear and cougar kills of calves and fawns.. the numbers are astonishing.. get your predator numbers under control and you will see your big game numbers incline ..

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

My only comments to this will be in order to get our population numbers back up is to reduce the number of predators we have.. go back and look at the cougar count before 1994 when the hound hunting was shut down compared to the numbers of today... I've spent many miles in the woods and have seen my fair share of Bear and cougar kills of calves and fawns.. the numbers are astonishing.. get your predator numbers under control and you will see your big game numbers incline ..

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 11:46 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#749]

Name	Benjamin Vandagriff
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I would like to see General but for specific units rather than multiple units. Also more programs to get the larger elk herds off of private and keep them on public.

Also take away non-resident general tags and go to application only for non-residents. Similar to Wyoming. Than limit the overall number of tags for non-residents. Remove all cow tags. Programs to encourage elk to move off of private land and on to public.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I would like to see General but for specific units rather than multiple units.

Also take away non-resident general tags and go to application only for non-residents. Similar to Wyoming. Than limit the overall number of tags for non-residents.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

I know longer hunt west cascade because of the declining hunt quality and pressure. I would like to see options that would help increase hunt quality and animal numbers in these areas. Moving the season may increase hunt quality initially but seems like it would further reduce the animal numbers. Go to a draw for cascade elk! And remove all cow tags. Programs to encourage elk to move off of private land and on to public.

Also take away non-resident general tags and go to application only for non-residents. Similar to Wyoming. Than limit the overall number of tags for non-residents.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

I am in favor of changes that will increase hunt quality and game numbers . Even if it means sacrificing opportunity in the interim.

I would really like to see oregon move all non-resident big game tags to draw. Than limit the total number of non-resident tags offered.

Also regulation changes that may aid in the recovery of wounded game animals. Every year i find wasted animals during archery season. I dont know what the solution is but i think we need to work on one.

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Name	Andrew Green
Current city of residence	Powell Butte
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Leave units without high hunter densities as general. Make high density units controlled but separate into two. An early and late hunt 2 weeks each.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as above and giving preference to draw for the elk tag holders for that unit.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Ron Park
Current city of residence	Grants Pass
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>Absolutely crazy!!! Why? I've been bow hunting almost 40 years. Limit the out of state over counter! Bow hunters make up 10% of hunters. If it's about money raise non residents.</p> <p>Be wise. Limiting bow hunters to draw only? You're asking for increased poaching!</p>
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>Again crazy!! What's the reason? Rifle hunters are upset bow hunters have longer seasons!!</p> <p>Do something positive. I've Luvox in Eastern Oregon over 50 years and seen major declines in game herds. Be honest, too many wolves, cougars, bears, coyotes!! And hunters! Control the predators!! I spent 20 years on RMEF. Not a stranger to wildlife mgt. Oregon is one of the worst for allowing Liberals to dictate us sportsmen!</p>
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<p>Reduce tags statewide!!</p> <p>REALLY ??? Spike open for black tail bucks? Wanting to eliminate all the breeding deer? This is the stupidest game management I've ever seen!!</p> <p>Give me a responsible reason for this? Just so some weekend city boy can kill a baby spike??</p>

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#746]

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

This is a long time coming for management purposes. There's got to be point usage options. You're going to have a lot of pissed off people that have been saving points for a premium hunt to now have to draw it, or go general season somewhere their not used to. Example. If I have 9 points, can I only use 1 or 2 of those to put in for a certain draw knowing it doesn't take more than that to draw it, rather than wasting all 9 years worth of points?

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Same

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Predation is a huge problem. Since outlawing hunting with dogs, predation has gone up severely. As well with the introduction of wolves. Need to bring back hunting cougars and bears with dogs. This will in itself help populations to rebuild

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#745]

Name	Ed Dew
Current city of residence	Oregon City
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Now we will higher pressure on the West side and that is not what we need. Good for the unit tag idea, but it is going to increase poaching I believe. West side hunting will consist of pick a rock because of crowding and competition for forests. With Higher predator numbers it has been effecting both deer and elk numbers on the west side which makes huge pockets of dead land without any wildlife. Please include predator control in your agenda.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I am a archery hunter for 50 years and have seen the population of hunter increase to over pressure to the point of hunter saturation in most areas. It is not hunting but a race to run through the wood racing to hunt.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move season to make elk have a better chance to build up once more.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Drop tag numbers to every other year for a better hunting experience.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Chris Ellis
Current city of residence	Salem, OR
Email	219junkie@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	This is a good idea.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	This is a good idea.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	If the deer season weren't closed for a week, you would have sold me 20+ more elk tags over the years than you actually sold me. I completely support leaving deer open in the cascades during the cascade elk hunt. I would also support moving the cascade elk season into November. I think that the current mid-October elk season that shuts down deer hunting for a week is the worst option by far.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	I would like to see more late-season muzzleloader deer hunts in the cascades units.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#743]

Name Anders Meilicke

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1. **Archery** Not a good Idea.. Try to imagine drawing an eastern Oregon Elk Archery tag in June.. By Late August the fire season is extreme and there is a large fire burning within the unit you have drawn. Now your out of luck.. Or **elk:** it's a low water year and the animals have all moved down to lower ranches to access feed/water during the **change** dry period. Just waisted an opportunity because the controlled tag locks you into a particular unit.
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

2. **Archery** Not a good Idea.. Try to imagine drawing an eastern Oregon deer Archery tag in June.. By Late August the fire season is extreme and there is a large fire burning within the unit you have drawn. Now your out of **deer:** luck.. Or it's a low water year and the animals have all moved down to lower ranches to access feed/water **change** during the dry period. Just waisted an opportunity because the controlled tag locks you into a particular **from** unit.
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. **West Cascade** No issue overlapping deer/elk seasons. several other state do it and I have never seen any problems. Early November would be a good time.

elk
(general
any-legal
weapon
season):
Move
season to
November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Really need to get a handle on predation. I know documentation claims that there are more cats killed now than before hunting with dogs. The problem is when dogs were legal especially in the 60's, 70's. There were 100's of cats being killed that were not documented. My Great Grandfather hunted lions for the cattleman's association and they killed several hundreds of lions.. Population today is way over what it was then..

Have programs to promote predator hunting.. For example: turn in 10 coyote scalps and get a free preference point of your choice.. Hunters are predators also and there are way too many hunters not doing their part in controlling the predator population..

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#742]

Name	William Wells
Current city of residence	Turner
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Probably a good idea even though it will limit opportunity.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Probably a good idea even though it will limit opportunity. With the current deer numbers I'm surprised ODFW allows deer hunting in any form.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Good idea.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#741]

Name	Patrick Inman
Current city of residence	Elmira
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I do not like this idea. We have very few opportunities for OTC hunting anymore and I hate to see us lose another. I do believe there is a problem with over crowding but I honestly don't know what the solution is. Maybe try the "choose your weapon" at time of the draw so that people who font draw a rifle tag can't go and bow hunt 🏹♂. Our point system is rough but what about all the people who have been waiting 12-15 years already.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as number 1
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I have no opinion on this one
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	What if Archery hunters had to chose East or West. I thing this happened with rifle back in the day. See what kind of effect this has on numbers before going to an all out draw for archery. Predator control and the hunting opportunities for native Americans have a much larger effect on deer and elk numbers then the archery hunters

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#740]

Name Hank camp

Current city of residence sandy

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1. **Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.** Otc archery is a huge reason why most people even bow hunt oregon. Its the only thing we have going for us honestly. If it goes to a draw I believe a large portion of archers hunters will go back to rifle. That will just cause more competition in the rifle draws, lower draw odds, and tons of rifle hunters on the left side of the state. Not only that but odfw will lose the majority of its out of state revenue. Guys that live in California or Washington aren't going to pay the large sum of a out of state elk tag for a mediocre experience. Please keep oregon archer OTC

2. **Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.** Rather than limited tag numbers and having to apply for a not so great deer tag . I think we need to work on predator management first and foremost. This and habitat loss has a much bigger impact than 10 percent success rates of archery hunters.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

Im archery across the board now but I believe the the rifle guys should be able to take a deer during rifle elk season . They already have it hard enough in the cascades . Also moving the rifle elk tag to November in the cascades is really going to make things harder for these guys. Plenty of times I've seen bulls still running with cows in the middle of October and even heard them rip bugles during rifle deer. Not only that but once November comes the elk are dropping down onto their wintering grounds which are alot of private land and the warm springs reservation . Its extremely hard to find a bull in the cascades once the rut is over and they are recovering on some dark dank where they hardly move.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#739]

Name Jeff Gray

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

The controlled draw for archery WILL develop the exact same issues as rifle season.. limited opportunity, with elk forced to private lands, and no real proof the draw will control hunter numbers, because money drives all.

Several western states have gone to hunting "zones" with limited quotas, and have been quite successful with crowd control and overall experience.

Keep the trophy units draw for those that want that experience.

Divide this state into 10 or so regions, or zones.

Have reasonable quotas in each zone available on a first come, first served basis, based on herd MO's. Having that platform can help to alleviate a potential "bias" in regards to folks feeling slighted by not drawing tags.

Separate the 3-4 heavily hunted units (Starkey, Heppner, Ukiah, Desolation) so they are in different zones. Help spread out the hunters, but make opportunity abundant and still available in those desired units.

Watch cow only hunts VERY closely. Reduce tags where needed.

If you want to elk hunt with a bow, buy your tags early. If you wait for rifle, or archery draw results to come out, there may not be archery tags left in the zone you prefer, and you take your chances.

Put a 10%, or even 15% cap on non residents tags. Currently there is no NR cap for OTC tags.

Create highly sought after 5 day Muzzleloader hunts the week after archery/ before deer season (make draw to help with point creep)

Through legislation, work with landowners to allow RESPONSIBLE hunting on private lands.

Fundamentally, the money issue will not go away. We can still keep opportunity abundant

Nick Myatt

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Name	Westly Richardson
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes. I am in favor of make all hunts controlled for elk in eastern Oregon. It the very least you should have to choose your weapon. You should not be allowed to apply for a current controlled season and then go archery hunting if you don't draw and still earn a preference point.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I'm less concerned and the impact on draw by having the open season. I feel most archery hunters simple get the deer tag because it runs concurrent with there elk season.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Something needs to change with regards to the number and quality of mule deer hunts in Eastern Oregon. I would like to see some hunts with point limits (four point or better). It is important for me to have the opportunity to hunt but I do not need to be successful every hunt. I also feel there need to be more enforcement to stop people for road hunting.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#737]

Name	Eric Richardson
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I don't think that making it a draw tag will help as much as it would to bring back hunting with dogs. If we controlled the Bears and Cougars better we would definitely have better elk and deer populations.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as above... definitely a NO

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#736]

Name	Tanner Lee
Current city of residence	2616 N 4th ST
Email	tannerdmanmusic@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	We want more tags for the controlled season. There aren't enough elk due to predators.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I hardly see any deer in the woods.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Never hunted this area before.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	There are to many predators in our woods. Cougars, bears and now wolves are decimating our game. Bears and cougars are so hard to hunt. I'd propose that you open bear and cougar hunting with dogs and allow people to use bait for bears. Also maybe considering opening a trapping season for all of them.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#735]

Name	Jessica Richey
Current city of residence	Portland
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I've been hunting in eastern Oregon almost my whole life and I see no need for it to be changed to a controlled season, in my opinion I don't think it is overly crowded. I feel as if the state should worry more about the predators rather than changing it to a controlled hunt.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I've been hunting in eastern Oregon almost my whole life and I see no need for it to be changed to a controlled season. I feel as if the state should worry more about the predators rather than changing it to a controlled hunt.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

I think allowing hunters to hunt both species at the same time is a great idea.

Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	This would make me spend my money in other states, terrible idea. This change would ruin the state of Oregon for hunting! If you so worried about animals getting pushed to private land and low numbers maybe you should start looking at wolves and other Predators!!!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	This would make me spend my money in other states, terrible idea. This change would ruin the state of Oregon for hunting! If you so worried about animals getting pushed to private land and low numbers maybe you should start looking at wolves and other Predators!!!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Dose not affect me
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Add Wolf tags and allow hunting with dogs and sit back and watch deer and elk numbers increase!!!! Hunters are not the problem! Poor management of predators are!

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#733]

Name	David Fuller
Current city of residence	Klamath Falls
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I do not see a need to do this because the success ratio of the bow hunters
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Again I do not see a need to do this because of the success ratio of bow hunting.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No problem with this

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#732]

Name Marshall Cooley

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city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

No! This change seems short sighted and will lead to fewer hunters in the future. Participation in hunting/fishing has been falling for decades and this will only increase if people do not have the opportunity to hunt most years. This will further ODFWs budget short falls as well and decrease conservation dollars available. Secondary fewer hunter will equal fewer votes for wildlife down the line. Hunting is conservation and this move will damage both.

This move would also be unfair to those of us living on the east side of western tags remained general. How much more pressure can the general units on the west side handle while still providing good opportunities?

2. See Above

Archery The presentation presented placed the blame of falling mule deer numbers on nutrition, solely. Is this really
deer: the case and if so how is cattle grazing on public lands accounted for?

change I believe the problem is multifactorial and includes predators, vehicle strikes, and habitat fragmentation.

from What about a couple year moratorium on deer hunting and see how deer numbers respond. The issue of
general deer populations needs more study throughout the west.

to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Brian Houck
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I knew this was coming. I just wanted a few more years to hunt the east and west side in the same season. Maybe we could have a hunt that incorporates both sides of Mt Hood.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I knew this was coming. I just wanted a few more years to hunt the east and west side in the same season. Maybe we could have a hunt that incorporates both sides of Mt Hood.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I would prefer we move the season rather than hunt deer and elk simultaneously.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#730]

Name	Brian Newton
Current city of residence	Fairview
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	There are too many hunters in popular units. Making it all draw is the only way to control the number of hunters that are focusing on the "popular" units.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes, eastern deer numbers are in serious decline. Making it all draw is the only way to control the number of hunters And tags.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I am for a later season here. Hunter success is poor in this area.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#729]

Name	ronnie benoist
Current city of residence	gladstone
Email	ginger0051@msn.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	no comment!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	with the number changing to archery, they must control the numbers some way.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	i have mixed feeling about this, but will yeild to smarter people then i.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	even odd license number to put in every other year.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#728]

Name	Tony Bolin
Current city of residence	Boardman
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	It will drive so many people to go hunt out of state. Not having the option to archery hunt without gaining any points handcuffs so many people.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	So few people actually harvest deer during archery season that this wont matter. All units in eastern Oregon need to have their rifle tags limited.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Limit the number of spike elk tags given out in eastern Oregon

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#727]

Name	Mark H
Current city of residence	Prineville
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	All of the details that you included in the rationale of going to a controlled hunt make sense. The population cannot keep up with the technology and influx of bow hunters. Controlled archery is a necessity.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	All of the details that you included in the rationale of going to a controlled hunt make sense. The population cannot keep up with the technology and influx of bow hunters. Controlled archery is a necessity.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Moving the elk season to November will result in rutted up bucks being poached. Keep it as it is.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#726]

Name	Douglas Breshears
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Change I like the idea I think it will help over crowed units
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Change it will also help with over crowed units the only thing I don't like is you can't hunt late season I think you should be allowed
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep current dates
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	I would like to see some tag numbers dropped a little for buck deer Rifle and see a few more muzzleloader hunts addEd also would like to see eastern Oregon deer rifle go to 3 point or better that will allow some younger bucks to have a chance to become mature archery is harder so fork or better in that one

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#725]

Name Matthew Pruitt

Current city of residence Newberg

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I feel that until all cow elk seasons have been stopped and predators are properly controlled limiting opportunity to hunt eastern Oregon is just hurting hunters. Archery hunting is very low impact and has a terrible success rate. I'm unsure how this change will benefit anything or anyone in Oregon.

Why should hunters ability to hunt be limited because ODFW can't control anything else involved in the problems causing the change? It is also wrong to make eastern Oregonians unable to hunt close to home without drawing. It will not slow decline of herds and it will push all the hunters into even tighter spaces and increase conflict. Being able to move all over the state and hunt anywhere I camp is what keeps me paying for a tag. I only hunt the tags that come with my sports pac and will never pay for a chance at a draw. It is a money grab making it a draw. The west side of the state is going to be pressured until it will go the same way as eastern Oregon in a decade after absorbing everyone who lost their rights to hunt in the east.

I'm against it. If you have to go to a draw make it only hunt unit specific to problem areas. Oregon is a large state you have to take each unit on a case by case basis or you are ignoring that each unit is unique and has it's own environment and populations. I feel hunting is being attacked on all sides this is just another low blow from ODFW and the Governor. Please think long and hard before you make these changes because this is going to negatively impact countless Oregon hunters and close half the state off to someone like me forever.

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3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time. Please keep the dates the same and allow the seasons to over lap. I think it makes things more efficient and will give hunters a better experience.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts) Please don't limit archery any more than it is. I hunt the coast to fort rock and all over in between, after countless encounters I still haven't been able to get within 40 yards of a deer to take a shot. Archery hunting isn't the limiting factor destroying our herds. Access is already shrinking please don't take away our ability to hunt by shortening seasons and making half the state draw only.

Think twice about "simplifying" the regulations for the state. Each hunt unit is unique and should not be lumped together when regulations are made

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#724]

Name Ryan Fogelman

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city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Overall I do not see how the proposed changes will correct the issues identified by ODFW. I'm open to changes, but I do not think the proposed changes will tackle the issues.

I think the main concerns that should be addressed by ODFW are: predators and keeping animals on public lands. May ways to go about this, but I do not think that making units controlled does a good job of addressing either of these issues. Consider shortening or changing seasons, telling private land owners that they are responsible for building fences to prevent damage, more effort to remove predators

This the proposed changes to be tough on lots of Eastern Archers. Currently there is good availability with limited success. If you limit availability there will still likely be limited success. You'll have poor availability and limited success. This goes against ODFWs proposal for making better availability.

I archery hunt units that I would like to rifle hunt to become familiar with the unit. I would not likely burn points applying to these units for Archery season. Many than I've talked to feel the same and will make Rifle tags harder to obtain.

Fires are also a concern. Getting a tag for a unit that I could not end up hunting would be a huge bummer.

2. I feel like this idea is even worse for deer. The main problem I see with deer is predators.

Archery Deer are very difficult to hunt with the bow, and success is very low. Hunting deer during archery season is almost not worth it. Having the rut for elk hunting makes success more of feasible. Many people buy deer tags during elk season just in case but do not focus on strictly deer hunting.
change
from Again I am already in the woods during archery season, so I get my tag just in case I come across opportunity. This will make more people save tags for rifle season and make rifle season harder.
general to
controlled

season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. West I think November is a great time to move this season to.

Cascade
elk
(general
any-legal
weapon
season):
Move
season to
November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:55 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#723]

Name	ed anicker
Current city of residence	elgin
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	yes should be branch only
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	yes

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:55 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#722]

Name	Lonnie Dvorak
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Rifle elk tags are hard to draw in eastern Oregon. If you don't draw at least you have the opportunity to archery hunt that year. I believe most rifle hunters do this. With the new proposal, if you don't draw 1st choice you will have no chance to hunt eastern Oregon that year. Residents over east will not be able to hunt their own backyard and I believe more people will give up on hunting. No one will want to come over from eastern Oregon to hunt the brush of western Oregon.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I believe something needs to be done to help our herds.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

No opinion.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#721]

Name	Terry Choate
Current city of residence	Bend
Email	terryc@mckernanbend.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I agree with the proposal partially. I think all of Oregon should be controlled however. It's not fair to make one side of the state controlled but not the other.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I think all deer hunting in Oregon should be controlled season.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep the season In October and allow deer to remain open
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Delete all Late season deer hunting until populations recover Add more muzzle loader Deer and elk hunts.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#720]

Name Brent Nicolas

Current city of residence Redmond

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. See response below for deer. I would suggest a shorter elk and deer season within the traditional archery season dates with elk being held during the later half

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

In those areas where archery harvest is actually significant compared to the rifle hunt then I would be supportive of a controlled hunt for that tag. In those areas where a large number of hunters have expressed a desire for reduced numbers I would be supportive of that unit have a reduction in numbers.

In those areas where harvest remains a much smaller percentage of legal harvest in spite of the numbers of archery hunters I do not see a need for controlled hunts. Establishing a controlled archery hunt to placate rifle hunters so that it is "more fair" does not seem to be a reason to move to a controlled hunt if archery hunters are still a minor component to the overall harvest.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to Allowing both deer and elk hunters in the hunt areas is something I support

November OR

keep current

dates but

allow deer

hunting in

Cascades to

continue

during elk

season so

hunters can

pursue both

species at

same time.

4. Other do not have a knowledge of data to form an opinion

changes being

considered

(incl. tag

numbers/hunt

tables for

specific

hunts)

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#719]

Name	Tyler Wingfield
Current city of residence	Fairview
Email	Tjwingfield27@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I agree with making eastern Oregon a draw for archery hunting. Too many hunters go archery hunting when they don't draw their rifle Bull and it ruining it for dedicated Archery hunters. I think that will help cut down on the over crowding issues and you probably won't see as many wounded animals from bad shots as a result.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as above

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:45 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#718]

Name	Dallas Reich
Current city of residence	Pendleton
Email	dreich@eou.edu
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Do not do it.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Do not do it.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<p>Select your weapon before choosing tags.</p> <p>Folks that don't draw a rifle tag should not be able to go hunt archery.</p> <p>Also... look at our declining elk and deer numbers in our units such as Mt. Emily and the rest of the state for that matter.</p> <p>When are we going to open the eyes of the decision makers and allow hounds to be ran again so our animals aren't getting decimated by predators. We need to control them. Or else we won't have much opportunity.</p> <p>Oregon is not in good shape as we speak. Something needs to change.</p>

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#717]

Name	Brody Wilkins
Current city of residence	Marcola
Email	brwilkins2@aol.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No. Make all units bull only.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Yes
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Limit cow hunting in western Oregon to help regain the population.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:43 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#716]

Name Tony Pettis

Current city of residence Toledo

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Oregon cannot provide all of the opportunity that people would like for hunting while still meeting biological objectives. I understand this. I also understand that more opportunities can be given with less effective weapons so i think reducing archery opportunities should not be taken lightly. Many hunters enjoy having the opportunity to archery hunt on years that they don't draw a rifle tag and this situation can allow more people an opportunity to hunt while maintaining biological objectives. Taking the general archery season away will reduce opportunity for many people who prefer to hunt with a rifle for this reason. I understand that archery has changed and there will be need for changes in management in some situations, but I urge you to keep archery a priority for the sake of maintaining opportunities for as many hunters as possible. For the same reason, I believe there should also be more primitive muzzle loader opportunities.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. Mule deer are hurting in Eastern Oregon and I would like to see reduced harvest in areas below biological objectives. I think the best way to do that is to reduce rifle tags as the harvest rates are much higher. If archery is having an impact that warrants controlling hunter numbers i would support that as well, but only if rifle seasons are limited to a similar harvest level as archery. I am 100% convinced that the best thing for mule deer would be reduced predator populations; especially mountain lions.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move Not familiar enough with this hunt to have an opinion.

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allow deer
hunting in
Cascades to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters can
pursue both
species at
same time.

**4. Other
changes being
considered
(incl. tag
numbers/hunt
tables for
specific
hunts)**

I think the number of rifle mule deer tags should be reduced in some units where deer are struggling. I also think mountain lion populations need to be reduced by any means possible and wolves need to be managed at a population at or below their current population level. Anything you do to manage elk and especially deer hunters is a mute point if lions and wolves are allowed free reign.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#715]

Name	Gary Mills
Current city of residence	Gresham
Email	Gm1816@yahoo.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I hunt rifle finally draw an any bull tag and find out that their were more archery hunters up there before we hunt for 30 days . We get 5 days and it starts Wednesday and it takes about five years or so to draw. I'm for control hunts for archery . Seems fair
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I'm for it .

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#714]

Name	Tony Pranger
Current city of residence	Oregon City
Email	tony.pranger@att.net
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I agree with the proposed 2021 seasons going to controlled seasons for archery.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I agree with the proposed 2021 seasons going to controlled seasons for archery. Long overdue.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I would prefer Cascade elk retain the current season dates, and allow deer hunting at the same time. I proposed this years ago. It would be great to have an opportunity to rifle hunt both species at the same time, similar to other western states that allow this.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#713]

Name	Gary Mills
Current city of residence	Gresham
Email	Gm1816@yahoo.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I'm for it to many archery hunters they get 30 days To hunt just go buy a tag . Rifle hunters wait several years to draw a tag get five days to make it happen and then. Find out how many bulls were harvested during archery season in your unit .
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#712]

Name	James Baseel
Current city of residence	Milwaukie
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	There should be no change here. Allow dog hunting for predators again open season on wolfs the introduction of them was the worst idea in history we killed them out for a reason. You can NOT have a over populated predator population and hunters it will not work. Do not take away our general season ability when we already have a broken draw system Oregon is and will remain the worst management state if you keep this bs up
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	There should be no change here. Allow dog hunting for predators again open season on wolfs the introduction of them was the worst idea in history we killed them out for a reason. You can NOT have a over populated predator population and hunters it will not work. Do not take away our general season ability when we already have a broken draw system Oregon is and will remain the worst management state if you keep this bs up
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	There should be no change here. Allow dog hunting for predators again open season on wolfs the introduction of them was the worst idea in history we killed them out for a reason. You can NOT have a over populated predator population and hunters it will not work. Do not take away our general season ability when we already have a broken draw system Oregon is and will remain the worst management state if you keep this bs up
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	There should be no change here. Allow dog hunting for predators again open season on wolfs the introduction of them was the worst idea in history we killed them out for a reason. You can NOT have a over

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Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#711]

Name	David Keller
Current city of residence	Portland
Email	david@kellerandkeller.org
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I agree with this proposal
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I agree with this proposal
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No opinion

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#710]

Name	Stuart Mitchell
Current city of residence	North Bend
Email	Mitchstew70@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I fully support the proposed changes.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I fully support the proposed changes.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep it as is.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	I support using a crossbow as an alternative to other weapons during "Any Legal Weapon" seasons.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#709]

Name Garrett Yarbrough

Current Fall Creek
city of
residence

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1. **Archery** Against. According to ODFW survey statistics East side Elk herds are at objective, if not above. The few units below MO are already controlled units for archery. Making the west side the only general archery zone will put higher pressure on Roosevelt herds under MO and make access to hunt able areas extremely tough with the high percentage of private ground and fire season.

elk:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

2. **Archery** Understandable. Many units are far below population MO. I would like to see harvest data overall for rifle and archery. I believe higher rifle success has more of an impact then the general archery hunt. Please, lets not issue more rifle then there are deer in a unit, let alone 10x more tags then there are estimated bucks. Let's also not forget about the huge amount of predation on fawns and adult mule deer from booming cougar and bear populations. We need to manage the whole system; habit, predation, and hunter harvest. Managing one will not change the current situation.

deer:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): I don't mind the idea but ODFW may want to check with landowners who provide access. Some close access after general rifle deer and may not want to stay open for the extended season. It may also cause a enforcement issues with "party" hunting between those with general elk tags and the youth deer weekend.

Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

I appreciate ODFW's willingness to try new things but I'm not sure these changes will provide the many of the desired outcomes. I'm afraid it will only affect hunter opportunity and retention. We do need to help the mule deer herds through adaptive management that includes predator control, habitat restoration and hunter harvest. We need to find an equilibrium that is manageable and sustainable, we can't just keep cutting tags and hoping for the best. ODFW has a tough job of balancing many interests and opinions. It's a dang near impossible job and I thank your department for

taking it on. I'm here to help where and when applicable. Please let me know where and when I can help. We have valuable resources future generations deserve to experience intact. Thank you for your time!

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:26 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#708]

Name	Ryan Hays
Current city of residence	Imbler
Email	haysrg669@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	PLEASE do not. That option for me would pretty much take all my elk hunting options off the table.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	No

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:26 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#707]

Name Nicholas Best

Current city of residence Summerville

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Adding a draw would be a good thing IF the draw was set up to limit the number of hunters and allow the populations to rebound. After Ochoco unit became a draw tag to 'limit the number of hunters in the unit' I had never seen it so crowded ever before! The population of deer in SE units plummeted and the number of tags issued didn't reflect or mirror the population decrease. So I ask why set up a draw system to regulate units when it hasn't been managed properly to start with? Keeping things as a general hunt at least helps keep the balance because hunters will crowd the bigger population of elk and will hunt areas with fewer elk. If it's just for the \$8 application fee then have people pick East or west. We need other management priorities before this...

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. Same opinion as above...

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR Move it to November

keep current
dates but
allow deer
hunting in
Cascades to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters can
pursue both
species at
same time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts) As much as I like hunting, the number of tags are way too high in almost every unit! I have turned to mostly just helping friends and tagging along and I spend more time in the woods than most; the deer and elk numbers are ridiculously low. The predator numbers are too high. The number of hunters (including native Americans) are way to many in most units.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#706]

Name	Dylan Baker
Current city of residence	Klamath falls
Email	dylanbaker1293@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I think its a terrible idea. I know numerous people including myself who like to hunt close to home during the first part of the season but then like to go to eastern Oregon for a week to hunt elk. Doing this takes away a lot of opportunities for thousands of people.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Their supplies to the same as the elk. The opportunity to travel to Eastern Oregon the hunt will be taken away if you do this. Yes we can still draw a tag for Eastern Oregon but it's going to make things a lot harder. I do see how it's going to help populations but then again it's also going to reduce the amount of people who can actually hunt
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I like this idea
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	None

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:21 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#705]

Name	Jeremy Davis
Current city of residence	Sisters
Email	jeremdavis@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I would welcome this change from a standpoint of limiting the amount of hunters as many units are full of rifle hunters who didn't draw their tag. I also believe it would drastically improve the hunting experience. However, the hard part to swallow is I have many preference points saved up for one of the big three archery hunts. So if I was to still hold on to a hope to draw the walla walla tag someday, that would mean I couldn't bow hunt unless I drew a second chance selection. Not sure of a solution, but I think many people will be in my predicament.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I would welcome this change from a standpoint of limiting the amount of hunters as many units are full of rifle hunters who didn't draw their tag. I also believe it would drastically improve the hunting experience. I think this is critical for the struggling mule deer herd.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Terrible idea. There is already way to many people in the woods at one time. However it would not impact me as I don't hunt there.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	I want to get rid of spike only elk hunts. It ruins the branch bull hunt experience.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 10:18 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#704]

Name	Chris Bromwich
Current city of residence	Mafeas
Email	pinshoot@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	For what reason?
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	For what reason?
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Allow deer hunting during the rut everywhere
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	If one is to participate in a poll shouldn't the public know exactly what changes to comment on?

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#703]

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I'm in favor of implementing a controlled hunt for archery elk in eastern Oregon, as long as, it is combined with more effective predator mitigation. Archery numbers have significantly increased and undoubtedly led to a change in elk behavior that is not conducive to optimal elk herds. However, to not address the predator problem is short-sighted and quite honestly the path of least resistance. Everyone knows that increased predators are killing our herds and just because predator mitigation is politically not popular is not a valid excuse for not making changes. My fear is that "controlled hunts" is the State's "supposed fix" when an equal or greater threat is being left out of the equation. In a state where the hunting population is the minority and killings cats, bears, and wolves is considered in-humane in our state by the majority – I see no real path forward for actual herd sustainability.

2. Same response as above – it needs to be done in concert with predator mitigation.

Archery
deer:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. West I'm not in favor of two different species being hunted at the same time – this has the potential to have more
Cascade hunting pressure with those hunting for elk combined with those hunting for deer.

elk
(general
any-legal
weapon
season):
Move
season to
November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
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same
time.

Nick Myatt

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Name	KYLE HENSLEY
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>There is no solid reasoning behind this. The issue is not hunters. It is lack of game. By shifting the "blame: to too many hunters ODFW is avoiding the priblem.yet again.</p> <p>Additionally, this will continue to negatively affect hunter recruitment by dramatically decreasing easy opportunities.</p>
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>There is no solid reasoning behind this. The issue is not hunters. It is lack of game. By shifting the "blame: to too many hunters ODFW is avoiding the priblem.yet again.</p> <p>Additionally, this will continue to negatively affect hunter recruitment by dramatically decreasing easy opportunities.</p>
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	<p>I concur completely.</p>
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<p>It is very much past time to do as other states do, and move to fixed date hunts.</p> <p>Archery, Sept 1-28 Eastern deer rifle, Oct 1-12 Western deer rifle, Oct 1-Nov 6</p>

Eastern elk, Oct 21–24, Nov 1–9

Western elk, Nov 10–14, Nov 21–26

Or something similar.

Nick Myatt

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Name Travis Nerpel

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Please consider eliminating take of Cows in Desolation, MRD creek etc before moving eastside archery hunts to a draw. Archery Harvest is only 10% and is not the main contributor to herd issues. Also consider point restrictions to reduce spike take during archery. Lastly the results on controlled hunt apps need to align with weyerhauser permit sales. Otherwise you basically are force to buy the west side permit in case you dont draw east side. Moving this to a draw will ultimately reduce opportunity/interest in Oregon hunting. Its an important heritage and family tradition that must remain open to the public!

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. I do not agree wit this, again issue antler point restrictions as needed to reduce take in areas below MO.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR Move Cascade bull to November Yes! Do not blend seasons as the woods will become crowded.

keep current
dates but
allow deer
hunting in
Cascades to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters can
pursue both
species at
same time.

4. Other
changes being
considered
(incl. tag
numbers/hunt
tables for
specific
hunts)

If this is a revenue issue, then increase tags by \$8 dollars in 2021.

Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Absolutely not
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I would agree with this
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Yes move it to November

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#699]

Name Jerald Carlson

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Absolutely NOT!!! I've been an Oregon resident hunter for nearly 7 decades. Sadly, I've seen our hunting rights diminish more with each passing decade, to the point that I have buddies who have given up hunting altogether, or merely hunt as a nonresident in neighboring States (causing Oregon to lose their hunting dollars and positive economic impact).

Hello! I grew up hunting Mt. Emily with family and friends – my first trip to Mt. Emily was in 1957, and I fell in love with the outdoors/hunting. We hunted archery in designated units, and if unsuccessful, we went gun hunting in later hunts, with numerous hunting opportunities throughout the State. Try hunting Mt. Emily now for other than a spike. As every biologist should know (I'm a well-educated biologist), if only spikes are hunted by folks, then the spike gene in yearlings is diminished. Most hunters are not privy to the fact that yearling elk can range from spikes to 6-point raghorns (see ODFW data from the early 1970s.) and that ODFW is actually ripping them off by selling them a bogus spike-only tag. Nevertheless, the graft (handing out bogus spike tags) continues. My cousin is now 73, and he still can't draw a branch-antlered tag with 16 points (not to mention \$8 surcharge for applying each year) ... and he rarely sees a spike! What a joke! He may die before drawing that tag. Meanwhile, I have encountered more poaching on Mt. Emily (when picking huckleberries etc.) since the advent of controlled hunting, particularly by locals. Keep it up and you will have increased poaching, due to the increasing restrictions and the impossibility of drawing a tag. Please stop this controlled-hunting nonsense!!!

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

In the late 1970s, I could no longer hunt both archery hunts and gun hunts in my home State of Oregon. So... I chose archery, because I possess the good ol' Oregon pioneer spirit, and I want the freedom to go where the adventure calls me. If a place is too crowded, I go elsewhere – it's a pretty simple concept. Everywhere I go, I spend a lot of money on

gas and food, which helps the economy. I was pretty proficient at the sport, although I can sense myself losing some of that with age. From the 1980s onward, there was a change in ODFW – a goal of restricting hunters to a specific square-mile boxes, perhaps to appease biologists and their inaccurate numbers game. (Even Washington has more liberal hunts than Oregon, so I gun hunt there as a nonresident disabled veteran.) Now ODFW is considering destroying the hunting access even more, and picking on Eastern Oregon again – rural folks who like to move around and explore the land? If it gets that restricted, then I will help crowd out the gun hunters with increased competition – and I am a better hunter than most of them (I have Green-Beret combat stalking techniques)! We will see how the gun hunters like the increased competition. They think drawing a tag is difficult now, watch what happens when archery hunters turn to gun hunting, due to newer restrictions! Stop the nonsense! Trim your bureaucracy and listen to the average hunter, not the elite full-timer magazine-writer types. Send out a simple survey. In the past 40 years, I haven't met one hunter who was happy with the changes that came about in the late 1970s to the present. Not one! I became a biology teacher later in life, and even the young folks (high school and college) that I've taught in Eastern Oregon over the past 31 years (over 4,000 students) have decried the controlled hunt situation. With each passing year, I have fewer hunters in my college biology classes. Please stop this controlled-hunting nonsense!!!

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

More opportunity works, but why are folks on the east side restricted to little boxes. Don't you folks understand the Oregon pioneer spirit? Get rid of all control hunts would be a great start. It could be done over a 5-year period, by transitioning saved points 15 – 20 to hunters, then 10 – 15 points the next year, etc., until you finally get rid of the money-grabbing \$8-a-year controlled-hunt nightmare. We would have more game and more hunters (and less poaching) – back to the heydays of the 1960s and 1970s. Of course, we would have to allow the hunting of wolves, which should have started 5 years ago. What ecology-trained biologist would go along with the upside-down food pyramid concept? Not hunting wolves is a very ignorant concept!!! We need the State to be more educated in biology! Please stop the controlled-hunting nonsense!!!

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Quit restricting hunting more and more each decade. Every time you folks try to squeeze the freedom to hunt any unit (whether gun, or archery), you lose more hunters. Take a look at the number of hunters vs. ODFW staff. Every time the bureaucracy increases, the opportunities diminish = upset Oregon hunters who give up. No longer can a hunter hunt where he/she traditionally grew up hunting with family and relatives. Likewise, if a hunter feels an area is too crowded, or bereft of game, due to overpopulation of predators such as wolves and/or cougars, then they should have the freedom to move elsewhere. The first mistake you folks made, was collecting flawed data from a few fast talkers, then morphing the information, followed by yet another way to restrict hunting. Then ODFW charges an extra \$8 to hunt a

specific area, or an area of family tradition, which for some may mean no hunting opportunity at all. No wonder many hunters have given up, or moved their hunting to other States! Again – please stop the controlled–hunting nonsense!!!
Thank you.

Nick Myatt

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Name Nicholas Esch

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1. I hunt desolation for rifle and archery depending on the year. I can tell you that there are a ton of hunters where we hunt during archery season. I don't mind all of the people one bit, it makes it harder for us hunters which is great for challenging ourselves. I don't honk making it a draw on the east side for all archery is a good idea at all.. we are already at a disadvantage with only being able to shoot out to 60 yards but then making it so we have to use our preference tags for archery when people use archery as a back up to drawing rifle.

Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I am impartial on this subject but I have hunted rifle Paulina a handful of times and it is sad seeing how many hunters were over there driving roads all of the time. I think you need to loom at more green dot road management over there and start euthanizing more cougars. Cougars are way too populated and since hunters can't use dogs to hunt them, it is allowing for breeding to grow insane numbers. They then prey on deer and have ruined what used to be impeccable hunting from the families I have talked to that have hunted there for 40 plus years. Turning it into a draw isn't going to fix that and deer have better advatanges with the bow hunters anyhow.

Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	why are you working so hard to screw over only the hunters that live in eastern oregon, while adding more hunting opportunities for the hunters on the west side? if its going to be a draw for archery then it has to be a draw for the whole state! the west side will put in for all the eastern tags and if they dont draw it will be like oh well ill just buy a archery tag for over here, thats not a good option for people from the east side, the people who live there dont even want to hunt there and at least they know the country! try doing something for the east side for a change!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	same as above!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	again just give them on the west side more options to hunt! i cant even draw a eastern oregon tag and i live here ! so many people from the west side of the state get eastern oregon tags we are over run with people i have a right to hunt where i live !
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	i say split the state if you choose to live on the west side of the cascades then hunt there! and thats just as fair as what you are doing to the east side! make archery a draw in the entire state that will take some pressure off of the east side. maybe then we can get some animals back over here, we are so over hunted is more the reason for the decline in deer numbers than predators.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Mike Tanner
Current city of residence	Bend
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Agree with the change BUT LIMIT TAGS
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Agree with the change BUT LIMIT TAGS
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep current dates
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Reduce tag #s Oregon big game M.O. are way WAY off and our herds need drastic help

Nick Myatt

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Name	Ryan Orr
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I believe archery should be controlled or limited number of tags issued per unit just like rifle hunting. Its not good that we can have unlimited number of archery tags purchased where it could allow any amount of hunters to hunt one unit.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I believe archery should be controlled or limited number of tags issued per unit just like rifle hunting. Its not good that we can have unlimited number of archery tags purchased where it could allow any amount of hunters to hunt one unit.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I am a firm believer to allow both to be hunted at the same time if you have the tag's you should be allowed to harvest a deer if you are on an elk hunt with the tags so allow both at the same time.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	I believe all units for all hunt methods should have tag numbs per unit.

Nick Myatt

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Name Arthur Bryant

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1. **Archery elk:** The only benefit I can see from making this controlled is controlling hunter numbers in high elk density areas. If the limited number of hunters is science based per unit, then this should make every unit have a more quality hunt.

change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

2. **Archery deer:** I agree with doing anything to help the mule deer herds. The effect may be minimal, but I know doing nothing isn't helping.

change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

3. **West Cascade** I agree with moving the hunt back to November.

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4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

I am unopposed to a large tag reduction across the board in every eastern Oregon deer unit.

Something drastic needs to be done soon, before this resource is gone.

I would like to see hound hunting go back up for a vote or changed in legislation to be controlled by the department for the better of the resource.

I think that tags like the premium tags are great for the system and could weed out point holders. Tags like the ones introduced last year. Like a tag for Klamath Unit in the rut with any legal weapon for a very limited amount, maybe 3 tags. If there were more of these options, i think it could serve two purposes. One it could satisfy the hunters with more

options. Two it will spread out all of those point holders. No resident should have to wait 20+ years to hunt a certain unit in their home state. If things were spread out more, I think it could help.

Nick Myatt

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Name	James Mckee
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	That would be horrific. People would have to choose between a premium hunt that they have been saving points for years on just To Hunt east? You would not only loose revenue due to we would go out of state, but I'm pretty sure there would probably be some law suits coming down the pipe. People have invested a lot of money into the draw system. You would be ripping them off!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as above
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Agreed
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. I would like to keep it general season for residence I would like to see limited tags for out-of-state hunters.2. Choose your weapon before tag draws3. Wolf hunts4. Hunt with dog for bears and cougars Put a tag limit on each area for each animal.

5. Bate for bears and cougars. Put a tag limit on each area for each Animal.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#692]

Name Matthew Snyder

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I am in favor of better managing distribution of elk and controlling hunter crowding in certain eastern units. I'm not sure that all eastern units should be controlled seasons. I would also like to see similar opportunity, meaning that the total number of tags available is similar to what we currently see with hunters actually hunting the general season. Controlling how many hunters hunt overcrowded units will better distribute elk. Having hunted eastern elk during archery season for a number of years, I don't believe there is a shortage of elk but they do tend to move to private or deep into the wilderness when pressured. I have seen significant increases in hunting pressure during the past five years or so.

The other change that I would like to see that goes along with controlled eastern archery hunts are more private land access opportunities through access and habitat. If private land owners request damage permits, there should be a strong push to have them allow limited access during hunting seasons to keep elk distributed more evenly across the landscape. If landowners don't want to allow permission based hunting access, especially during archery, then they shouldn't be allowed damage permits later in the year.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

While I agree that mule deer numbers are down significantly, I don't think that archery hunting is a significant factor in that decline. Most archery hunters that I know, including myself primarily target elk and not deer. I am in favor of keeping the general season open to allow hunters that draw an elk tag to also hunt deer in that unit if they choose to do so. I would be in favor of controlled seasons where the science actually shows that limiting archery deer hunting will actually improve the quality and quantity of deer but I don't see that being the case in most units.

Predator management and winter habitat are the two most significant factors for mule deer numbers and quality in my opinion.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

I am in favor of a November hunt for Cascade elk but think that it should be controlled. If we are talking about overcrowding, the Cascades and coast range tend to be more overcrowded than Eastern Oregon.

I do think that deer season should be uninterrupted by the one week of elk hunting.

I would be in favor of two seasons for elk in the Cascades similar to some of the eastern seasons. One in October and a controlled tag in November with fewer hunters and perhaps a better opportunity/experience.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

We need a point restriction for mule deer in units where numbers are well below objective. Most of the northeast units are struggling and many hunters take spikes or forked horn bucks. A point restriction of 3 point or better would help increase the quality of bucks in areas that are struggling.

I am also in favor of eliminating all antlerless seasons unless the deer/elk numbers are above objective.

Nick Myatt

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Name Douglas Boedigheimer

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city of
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1. Agree.

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4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

I agree with reduction in tag numbers. Not sure what else to comment on here, but after reading the results of the survey sent out early 2020, I do agree that Oregon is more concerned with generating revenue via tag and license sales that it is with actual, effective, intelligent game management. I've hunted in Oregon for about 45 years, and have seen many changes to things like legal weapons, equipment, etc, and it is clear that people on the commission simply believe they have the tiger by the tail on all things, and therefore enact the most inane rules and regulations possible, which are counter intuitive to reason. For example, for many years, a legal bow for elk hunting was minimum of 50 pounds, which excluded many hunters due to the weight of pull. Then low and behold, 40 pounds is the number of the

day. Interesting. I can hardly wait for the next commission change in this area. For years, the mind could not be made up regarding legal weapon for the taking of grouse: shotgun only one year, rimfire weapon another. Impressive. There is definitely a problem when experienced hunters such as myself can take to the mountains or woods, and not see a single deer to view. There is definitely a problem when an entity such as the ODFW/Game Commission covets millions of dollars in tag and license sales and does not deliver an apparent, tangible benefit to the hunter. By benefit, I don't mean the killing of game, I simply mean that there is at least game to find and see. I am more an avid wildlife watcher as much as a harvester of game, please know.

I apologize, I have spoken too much. But, as a long term hunter in Oregon, I am frustrated at best. I even read an article in a rather well distributed outdoor magazine, advising out of state hunters not to consider Oregon as a destination to hunt, due to poor game management, low game number, and tag sales which are simply a money maker for the state. This is sad, and, who are we to blame for this but ourselves?

Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I do NOT believe eastern Oregon archery elk should be changed from general to controlled season.

The data does not support this no matter how you look at it. All you will do is push a bunch of eastern Oregon archery hunters to the coast. Wasn't overcrowding a common complaint you received? Do you think making only one side of the state controlled for archery will help the other side of the state that is not? The archery hunters that do not go to the coast will stop archery elk hunting Oregon altogether and go to Idaho, WY, MT, and CO. ODFW complains enough as it is about the lack of funding (mismanagement in the public's eyes, but that's another topic) to help promote quality game management. Can ODFW lose that much in revenue by eastern Oregon archery hunters going out of state? We all know the answer to that question.

The numbers do not lie. More people prefer to rifle hunt and more big game animals are harvested with a rifle than both archery and muzzleloader combined each and every year. Also, what is the reason to limit archery hunters when ODFW admitted that they do not in any way affect the big game population? Kind of silly, right?

Back to my overcrowding comment. I archery elk hunted a unit last year close to a city. It was a unit I haven't hunted in 15 years. I figured it would be packed with hunters by now. Guess how many hunters our party saw when hiking every morning and evening for over 2 weeks? Zero. The people complaining about overcrowding need to either try another unit or walk more than 10ft off a road. We hunted the Silvies for years where you would see 25 rigs just driving to a road to walk from. Even then we would see one to two people actually hunting once we got off of the road. Lets be honest people are extremely lazy these days. We all have seen the hunters driving around in their rig calling from the

window. Or the hunters with la-z-boy and chairs in the bed of their trucks.. Sure, when all you do is hunt roads of course every unit is over crowded. People need to actually start hunting again.

I propose we start out with chose your weapon like so many others have suggested. This will help remove last minute rifle hunters from picking up archery. You apply for elk, deer, antelope, etc all with rifle then thats what you get to use for that year. This will leave behind the real archery hunters which will give you better numbers on how many of us their actually are.

Something else to look into is making zones with quotas for archery elk on the east side. Study the data to see what the amounts should be in each zone. Then implement it. I don't really like this option, but it is a hell of a lot better than making the entire east side archery elk be controlled.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. My response to question #1 can also pertain to this question as well. Archery mule deer hunters are not the issue. ODFW has admitted this. Our mule deer are tanking in Oregon. In other states they are remaining flat. Maybe we should see how other states are maintaining their mule deer herds and follow them? It wouldn't be the worst idea at the least.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but Never hunted it so cannot comment.

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time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

You want to really fix the lack of big game in Oregon? Actually do something that would get us hunters to stop nagging ODFW and thinking/knowing they are the laughing stock of the west? Then get a grip on predators and habitat. I don't care that ODFW is scared of politics. You have a job and you are not doing it. Period. I would have been fired month one if I was producing the "quality" of work that ODFW is.

ODFW won't admit that depredation is a huge problem. Politics. We know, ODFW is terrified of that P word as well as the other P word. So what about habitat? That has been your scapegoat for years and years. Okay, so if that's the case then what have you done to improve the habitat for our elk, antelope, black tail, and mule deer? Anything? If ODFW has improved the habitat then why has our big game continued to decline in many units? Its not the hunters as you have admitted that in your recent videos. Poachers? Any proof its all due to poaching? Hmm, how about predators? We know how many big game animals a cougar kills per year. We know how many big game animals a bear kills per year. We know how many big game animals a wolf kills per year. There are studies on all three. Take your numbers on these 3 predators, times it by the average of big game they kill per week, and then subtract that from the known big game animal count. What do you get after you do that math? Do you get sustainability? Or do you get 100% the exact opposite?

You all need to read 496.012 Wildlife policy again. Do you think you guys are adhering to that policy? Upholding it?

Doing your best? If you have even any doubt that you are not then there is a big problem.

This is Oregon. This is not California. Time to admit your mistakes and do something while you still can.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#689]

Name	Bob Stern
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3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

Wish move Cascade elk later in the year, open deer hunt concurrent with elk. This creates an opportunity for a combined hunt allowing for greater utilization of expenditures (food & gas) and a greater focus on scouting a given area. ODFW continues to see fewer new hunters due in part to the time, effort and equipment required to participate. Having a combined species hunt may be an enticement to draw in new hunters, or increase group size to allow for training new hunters (before we get to old).

Nick Myatt

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Name	Joshua Sabin
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I strongly appose to changing the current regulations. The ability to travel to most anywhere and any unit in the state has been mostly the reason why I hunt archery in Oregon. I feel this is more of an attempt to collect draw fees rather than conservation or the emotional state of a few hunters.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Its already hard to get close to deer lol. Not many actually hunt deer during archery season.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move to November. But turn it into a draw hunt to help conserve how many elk get taken.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Get rid of the invasive species like wolves that do not belong here.

Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

no! I think this would be a bad idea. I go elk hunting every year in Eastern Oregon. The one thing that I like about archery is that we have the freedom to go anywhere in the state to hunt. You guys changed from either sex to bull only witch was fine. But you didn't offer any tags to be able to hunt cows. I think that if you make eastern Oregon a draw for archery like rifle hunting you'll have people leaving the state. Make western Oregon more available to hunt and not so many people will venture out east

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

bad idea

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

I think you need to make it like archery session. Both deer and elk for a month then session over.

Nick Myatt

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4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	For western oregon to releave some of the preasure it should be over counter and odd and even years of which u where born so a pearson would know at least everyother year that would be option and didnt have to draw

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#686]

Name	Brandi Pettigrew
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>Stop infringing on our hunting rights. We utilize this game to feed our family of 6 all year round. Now we may not even get a chance to hunt for clean wild game.</p> <p>Stop conditioning is to become reliant on other people and businesses' to survive!</p>
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>Stop infringing on our hunting rights. We utilize this game to feed our family of 6 all year round. Now we may not even get a chance to hunt for clean wild game.</p> <p>Stop conditioning us to become reliant on other people and businesses' to survive!</p>
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<p>Stop infringing on our hunting rights. We utilize this game to feed our family of 6 all year round. Now we may not even get a chance to hunt for clean wild game.</p> <p>Stop conditioning us to become reliant on other people and businesses' to survive!</p>

Nick Myatt

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Name	Christopher Taft
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4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

I'm curious as to why certain hunts like the fossil doe hunt have been changed to private land only they already have lop tags for there land. And also I hunt the fossil unit for muzzle loader and I wanna suggest moving it to a week after rifle season or before it. Because only having 2 days between the seasons by the time we get up there the deer are so spooked by the rifle hunters plus they have already shot a good amount of the deer the last time I hunted that season I hunted for a week and only saw 2 bucks and both were only spikes that were to small to shoot. Thank you for your time

Chris

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#683]

Name Daniel Embertson

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I am against changing elk to controlled for a few reasons. One it will force more hunters into general areas that are already overcrowded and pressure the elk more in those areas. Second I hunt in 3 units in eastern Oregon within a few miles. Hunt on the right side of the road in the morning and the left in the evening it's the same elk regardless of what unit they are in = what side of the road they are on. 3rd alot of people hunt eastern Oregon and have 10 plus preference points and they will be screwed if eastern Oregon becomes a draw. Let's say sumpter takes 1 point but I have 13 not enough to draw one of the best units but it would be a terrible waist to dump points on a 1 point hunt. So that means I couldn't hunt eastern Oregon for 10 more years while hoping to draw mtemily or one of those good hunts. Just know that you cant push people around too much. Some may quit buying licenses or start poaching. That's just something to keep in mind. And dont listen to jealous rifle hunters they are just mad about having to draw hunt themselves. If you want to save elk end the spike tags or something they are ridicules anyway.

If you do change to controlled you should not go by units do like multiple units combined like blue mountains and combine all those units.

Thanks for listening to my opinion. Daniel Embertson

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I am against changing deer archery to controlled hunts. Archery hunting is hard and archers don't need the help of odfw to make it harder. It will cause more pressure on hunts that are general making them even more over crowded. And make people poach and not buy licenses. If you do decide to do this then make the hunt areas big like south central and northeast not unit by unit so archers can have a little flexibility. I've always applied rifle and hunted archery if I

don't draw rifle and the archery success rate is relatively low. If this happened I suppose I would have to west side hunt along with a million other people making it over crowded.

3. West I don't know anything about this hunt I have no opinion.

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Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I don't understand how this is even a question. I have yet to see any sort of evidence that archery hunters are the reason for the decline in population for elk. The state doesn't manage the predators that are the biggest danger to the species. There are so many factors to the decline in elk. I hunt archery and rifle depending on draws. And rifle elk season is like WW2 with hunters dumping full mags at elk hundreds of yards away. Archers are much more methodical. It would be a shame to take away their general season

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

It's the same as I state about the elk.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

As long as we can pursue both species at the same time.

Nick Myatt

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Name Ron Miller

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

This NE Oregon Archery Draw is going to make more crowds in open units and could end up making some archers have to do the draw where you may have to wait a few years in between to draw like some rifle hunts are now! I have always been in favor of some type of draw to eliminate Rifle Hunters jumping back and forth into archery when they don't draw their rifle tag! I think this new proposal would show a drop in seasonal Archers! I started archery hunting in the 70's and have seen an explosion of archery jumpers that go back and forth every year! I like some of the new but it could end up hurting ODFW tag sales because if you apply for archery and don't draw you don't have the choice of applying for a rifle tag so you may not Hunt this State for a few years! It could bite you in the butt in the future! We are losing Hunters every year and this could drop the numbers even more, is ODFW ready to except these lower revenues?

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. Same as above!

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to Move to November to catch the rut!

November OR

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Cascades to

continue

during elk

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pursue both

species at

same time.

4. Other More opportunities for pioneer tag holders because this is the first group your gonna see going away if changes being its too hard to draw tags!!
considered
(incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	100% support a move towards controlled hunts for archery elk in eastern Oregon. Hunter density is too high and elk density too low. This move should help improve survival for elk as well as improve hunting experience.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	100% support a move towards controlled hunts for archery deer in eastern Oregon. Hunter density is too high and elk density too low. This move should help improve survival for elk as well as improve hunting experience.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Shifting the season to November seems like the best choice. While allowing deer hunting at same time might be nice for some, it would possibly increase hunter density, decrease success rates and hunter experience.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<p>There appear to some small increases to tag numbers for some eastern Oregon 100 series. While more opportunity is nice, I don't feel that the populations are strong enough to warrant any increases. If anything, perhaps decreases.</p> <p>I do not support the proposed increases to 600 series tags for the north coast units. I don't feel that the populations warrant the increases. In combination with the new bag limit (allowing harvest of spikes), I think this will be very detrimental to the deer population.</p>

Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I disagree with the proposal to make all Eastern Oregon units controlled for archery elk. This idea will further erode hunter recruitment and harm the big game populations over the long term. The North American big game management model requires hunter participation for successful wildlife management. The alternative is raising tag and license fees which already stretch the ability of those who are lower middle class and below to participate.

Additionally, diminishing tag allotments without increasing the predator harvest isn't a solution. It's a means to increase the availability of prey for predators thereby increasing predator populations. I applied for fewer hunts this year than in many years past because Oregon gives the appearance of managing big game populations for predators rather than hunters.

2. My comments for the above applies here as well.

Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

3. West No comment

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Nick Myatt

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Name Tim Rozewski

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residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

This isn't going to actually solve the perceived issue of the "archery only" crowd, they want less crowding and blame rifle hunters who don't draw. You stated you would only lose about 5% of the tags. Going controlled needs to have other measurements and that should be to reduce total branch bull harvest. As a veteran record book measurer, I measure over 100 trophies per year, 80% are from archers. Of those that make the book, 90% are from archers. Trophy class bulls (not ranghorn 5pts) need some sort of escapement (per your Starkey Exp. Forest studies) I am an archer, but I am also a rifleman and longhunter. Stop killing cows, shorten the archery season or break it into 2 half seasons.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. Anyone who hunts out of state, and hunts Oregon, can't believe we are even allowed to hunt mule deer in Oregon. What a shame. Yes controlled for all Mule Deer hunts. No doe hunts, my gosh you are shooting yourself in the foot with this. No hunter, none, can look at 3 does and know which one is No Longer reproducing.

3. West Cascade elk (general Current Dates, but allow blacktail hunt as well. This has been a sore spot on so many blacktail hunters for years. Many of the cascade elk hunters also hunt general rifle blacktail. West Cascade should go to controlled hunt, the elk are nearly gone. Disease, wolves, cats...the Umpqua herd is all but completely gone.

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Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No. I was thinking about switching to archery hunting since it's a joke trying to draw a rifle hunt anymore. You make eastern Oregon draw only for archery I'll stop hunting big game in this state all together. How about letting us kill the Cougars with dogs again so we can get the elk populations back up?
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Again, it's a joke trying to draw a rifle tag. I haven't hunted deer in Oregon for years because of this, I go out of state and hunt mule deer with a rifle over the counter in Washington and Idaho. You complain about the population going down, but changed from 3 point antlers or better to visible antlers years ago, what did you think would happen?
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Finally a decent idea out of the DFW move it so maybe somebody can actually kill an elk in season
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Let us hunt cougar, hopefully bear too, with dogs again. That'll lower the population of predators and allow ungulate populations to rebuild. 3 point or better on one side for deer, both sides of the cascades. A general season rifle deer tag on September or October for eastern Oregon, a week long, maybe 2. A draw only November rifle mule deer hunt. Elk still draw only east side with a rifle, 3-4 antler points or better. Cow hunts only in areas population needs controlled. Look to Washington, they're doing it much better and simply.

Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes but not without changing to draw statewide. Efforts would shift west into already congested hunting area's
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Run hunts concurrently
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Take the last week off bow season. Don't allow felons to hunt with bows. Don't allow the use of laser range finders. I've hunted Oregon for 35 years and am an avid bow hunter who hunts both east and west Oregon

Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

this is a horrible idea the success rates are close to the same or less then rifle, changes to this will cause all kinds of other issues. things are messed up as it is this is only going to make it worse

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

this is a horrible idea the success rates are close to the same or less then rifle, changes to this will cause all kinds of other issues. if you really want to help these units start going to a 3 point or better unit for all hunts on the east side, I have spent more time then probably any ODFW employee of in the metolious unit and I can tell you the decline in the numbers over the last 15 years has been something that makes me sick! the road hunting and killing of or wounding of every spike or fork buck thats dumb enough to stand by the road is a real problem!

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

I think both are a bad idea, I say leave it as is

Nick Myatt

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Name	Jim Middleton
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No. Make the rifle hunter choose either rifle or archery dont let them buy archery tags if they were unsuccessful in there rifle draw that would definitely bring the crowding down during archery season.If archery becomes draw only we true archery hunters may have to wait years to hunt,I dont apply for draw hunts now because of the wait,take away the general some may never hunt again.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes, the deer numbers are so low now, PREDATORS, PREDATORS, PREDATORS

Nick Myatt

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Name Andrew Hubel

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I disagree with this change. The hunter's purchasing the tags and applications provide the necessary funding for the Fish and Wildlife to provide management. By making the archery a controlled hunt, it will not increase the number of applications (increased funds) across the state. A very high percentage of people that purchase the general archery elk tag only purchase it because they were unsuccessful in their elk application for a different hunt. If there is a population objective shortfall, it is due to the predation from the explosion in bear, cougar, and WOLVES across the state. The control of predators is very expensive while the allowing of general archery tags provide revenue. Tag sales will decline and reduce the overall revenue for the Fish and Wildlife. More effort to control the predators will bring the population objectives in line and allow more opportunity for hunters. If this is not an option, most of the general archery units are bull only. You could make it a 3-point or better or have some type of antler restriction. Also, the best way to increase the population is to reduce the number of cow tags given. This would be a much better option and still allow opportunities for all.

2. Again, predation is the main culprit here, not archery success! Reduce the number of doe tags and have an antler restriction for the general tag.

Archery
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3. West Cascade elk If you have to do one, it would be best to move the season to November. The forests will be even more crowded if you allow both hunts to occur simultaneously.

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Leave it alone, elk numbers are good and the new general cow hunts will help significantly over the next couple years getting private herds smaller while allowing population growth on public ground. If anything get rid of all of the remaining cow hunts on public ground. Elk are already above objective in most of Eastern Oregon.

A brow tine or bigger archery requirement would build our herds, lower success rates and up our bull to cow ratios. This would be a win for everyone and would eventually lead to higher rifle tag numbers as well.

Please to not take OTC opportunity from EO. We live off of elk meat and archery hunting is a huge part of our lives. We cannot pull our children out of school and go to western Oregon for them and ourselves to hunt if we do not draw tags at home. We are all born and raised in North East Oregon and are almost strictly OTC archery hunters.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

How Point Restrictions will help deer.

A lot of people question if point restrictions will help deer numbers. I will use the desolation as an example because I recently saw someone discussing it specifically.

In 2019 that unit had 1516 hunter almost 50-50 archery and rifle. The combined success rate was 27% which is 200 bucks taken, out of those deer 53% were 2 point or smaller bucks. If there were a point restriction of 3 point or better only 94 bucks would have been taken. The total deer population est. in 2018 was 927 deer. During the 2019 season hunters removed 22% of the deer from that herd.

For 2019 Doe to fawn ratio is 100/55 with an estimated 67% winter survival rate. That's 37 fawns that will survive the winter per 100 and 50% approx. will be bucks. So 18 new bucks for 100 does. Buck to doe in 2019 is 23% or 213 bucks of which hunters killed 200. So that leaves 714 Does, let's say 20% die to predators, 144 does, we killed almost all of the bucks. That leaves 527 deer at the end of 2019 mostly Does. So figure the winter survival of fawns and your adding another 194 deer, 50/50 so 82 bucks. Looking at the numbers it's clear there is a major issue.

Now take the same scenario with a point restriction. If there were a point restriction of 3 point or better only 94 bucks would have been taken. The total deer population est. in 2018 was 927 deer. During the 2019 season hunters would have only removed 10% of the deer from that herd.

For 2019 Doe to fawn ratio is 100/55 with an estimated 67% winter survival rate. That's 37 fawns that will survive the winter per 100 and 50% approx. will be bucks. So 18 new bucks for 100 does. Buck to doe in 2019 is 23% or 213 bucks of which hunters killed 92. So that leaves 820 Deer, 714/94 let's say 20% die to predators, that's 164 deer or 148 and 12 bucks. That leaves 656 deer 578 does at the end of 2019 mostly Does. So figure the winter survival of fawns and your adding another 213 deer, 50/50 so 106 bucks.

Looking just point restriction numbers in one unit you just went from taking almost twice the bucks that were born to there being more bucks added each year than are taken.

I'm not a wildlife specialist but when your taking more than your leaving even with exceptionally good winters you will have nothing left after a while unless something changes. Another added benefit is our doe to fawn ratios go up because when there is more bucks, predators eat more males instead of only females so there's a net gain in females which have baby's which should add to the overall building of our deer herds.

Please take this into consideration when thinking about point restrictions. I have heard arguments about giant two points but in reality that is a very long term effect and predators don't care about point restrictions so a lot of those giant forked horns will die from predators anyway.

3. West No comment.

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species at
same time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts) Put point restrictions on all archery and rifle deer hunts in Oregon. Even if it's just for 5 years. Also please allow these new cow elk hunts and removal of public ground cow hunts to for work a few years before making these major changes to archery elk. Also making archery elk browtine only tags would get rid of a lot of archery hunters as well as lower success rates and allow the herds to grow as well as our bull to cow ratios.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#671]

Name Steve Nipp

Current city of residence Newberg

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I'm 44, I started archery when I was 6. I grew up in Seaside. My birthday is Sep 20. The day I turned 12 I was hunting and got my first deer with a bow in Saddle Mountain unit. I got my first elk a year later. I don't hunt this unit much now due to overcrowding even before the Wereheuser restrictions and the Nature Conservancy bought all the land I used to hunt. So I hunted eastern units. Now it's really the same all over the state: People walking in on your hunt. I call in hunters more than elk these days. I don't mind eastern units as draw units but my concern is: what that does to the western non draw units. That will put even more hunters in those western units. Maybe make them all draw units? That way there isn't a bunch of consolation hunting in units they wouldn't normally hunt. I have watched the animal numbers drop the last twenty years. I appreciate your help in trying to solve this. I think predators are more of a concern than hunters. My family has 10000 acres between Spray and Fossil. Last year while deer hunting with rifle – unsuccessful– I saw more dead deer and elk carcasses than live ones. 14. I have never seen that many. This was not winter kill, either. I'm sure some was coyotes but it was cougar too. The big horses have claw scars on their rumps. My niece's horse was killed last year by a cougar. My family homesteaded this land. No one has seen it look this bad in the 100 years lived there. We used to see 200+ deer a day pretty anywhere in eastern Oregon. 10 years+ since it was that way. I think we should reconsider hunting with dogs again as a response to the dwindling deer and elk numbers.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I think predators are more of a concern than hunters. My family has 10000 acres between Spray and Fossil. Last year while deer hunting with rifle – unsuccessful– I saw more dead deer carcasses than live ones. 14. I have never seen that many dead deer. There were also 4 horse carcasses too. My family homesteaded this land. No one has seen it look this bad in the 100 years lived there. We used to see 200+ deer a day pretty anywhere in eastern Oregon. 10 years+ since it was that way. Eastern units need help for deer. I know the state trapper has been involved with the cougar population

but really what can one or two do for an entire state? I think we should reconsider hunting with dogs again as a response to the dwindling deer and elk numbers.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

I have only hunted the Metolius unit. Not sure if this is considered West Cascade or not. I don't hunt these units but I would HATE having rifles being used during a archery hunt.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

The predators number: coyotes, bear and cougar are much higher than I have ever seen. I'm not sure what the actual counts are. This is just my observation, but I seem to run into bear and coyotes more than deer and elk in the woods these days. I would love it to go back to the other way around. Bring back dog hunting with some restrictions.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Steve Kaser
Current city of residence	Silverton
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Archery elk hunts in Eastern Oregon NEED to be controlled hunts only.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Archery deer hunts in Eastern Oregon NEED to be controlled.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move the Cascade Elk season into November after deer season. Having deer and elk seasons at the same time would create tremendous crowding issues in some more popular areas. Years ago the cascade elk season was in November. It was moved to October because of the snowfall created an access issue back then. Today due to weather changing weather patterns snowfall in Western Oregon is not an access issue in November as it was years ago.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	In summary I need to add that I firmly believe the ODFW has for the most part a workforce of highly skilled and motivated people top to bottom trying to do whats best for the wildlife in Oregon.Unfortunately people outside of the game management field have been successful in getting our legislature to pass game laws that make the management of Oregon's big game virtually a hit and miss trial by error proposition. I do hope the ODFW doesn't wait another thirty years before adjusting their management plan again. Thank you for your efforts!

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#669]

Name	Jaden Bales
Current city of residence	Lander, Wy
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Changing general to controlled seasons in Eastern Oregon would eliminate my ability as a nonresident to come hunt with my family consistently, whether it's my brother in John Day or uncle in Redmond, or cousins in La Grande. The 5% nonresident quota from controlled seasons ensures my opportunity to hunt, even in an area that's easy to draw as a nonresident, goes away.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	For many of the same reasons as with archery elk hunting, changing general to controlled seasons in Eastern Oregon would eliminate my ability as a nonresident to come hunt with my family consistently. Additionally, it does not solve any population-level issues with deer herds since archery hunting in the state of Oregon is largely compensatory harvest.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move season to November in efforts to reduce crowding.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Please consider increasing late season archery opportunities in Oregon in areas where herd populations are low, but a premium hunting experience is desired. For example, Lookout Mountain, Keating, and Catherine Creek all would be great units for an opportunity like the Keno Unit archery deer hunt.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#668]

Name Don Brown

Current Philomath
city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

So many negative and unintended consequences will happen. Many thousands of archery hunters will overrun the OTC west side hunts to build points for future east side hunts, while

the available west side hunt areas continue to shrink, and low wage earners will be unable to pay increased trespass fees, due to the supply and demand increases. Most of the mid level east side hunts will be inundated with young and inexperienced hunters who built up some extra points through the mentor program, and the purchase of preference points, before they were to young to hunt. That, of course, will move experienced old time hunters further from a decent tag. There will be a lot of hard feelings over this.

You would be so much better off to just lop a week off the archery hunts, and keep the system unchanged. The rifle hunters pushing this agenda would have a bone thrown their way, and the serious archery hunters, like myself, would adjust to the shorter season.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#667]

1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

No No No....Why not take away the option of buying an archery tag if you first put in for a rifle tag and didnt draw it. That would eliminate alot of hunters that are only archery hunting because it all they have left.I only archery hunt ,are they still going to be able to put in for both or only one?

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Yes definitely, there are no deer left anyhow.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#666]

Name Jake Siegel

Current city of residence Eugene

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

- Oregon archery season allows hunters to explore and hunt a vast amount of public over the counter land.
- Changing to draw units in Eastern Oregon would:
 - crowd western Oregon public lands
 - increase the chance of not being able to hunt AT ALL due to fire danger closers resulting in vary limited to no places available.
 - increase the chance of losing the ability to hunt a season of forced to draw an eastern unit and that unit closes due to fire danger
 - An increase of an already high number of predators. With less hunters in these eastern units there's less likelihood of harvested predators.
 - Likelihood of having to burn points saved for the big 3 units just to be able to hunt current general season open units.
 - Likelihood of a reduction of Oregon hunters

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. See above for same answers

3. West Cascade elk Keep the current dates but allow for deer hunting as well.

(general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts) I don't have enough information at this time to comment on hunt tables or tag numbers. Thank you very much for putting out this survey!

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#665]

Name	Tyler Kohlman
Current city of residence	Oakland
Email	t.kohlman@yahoo.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Only for out of state hunters
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Only for out of state hunters
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep the same.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Better predator management practice. Dogs, bait, etc.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#664]

Name	Brad Fairbank
Current city of residence	Pendleton
Email	bradfairbank@msn.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes, but it should be the same in western oregon as well. Make it a statewide regulation.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes, but it should be the same in western oregon as well. Make it a statewide regulation.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Yes, if it takes the current strain of taking years and years of drawing tags away.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Please! Reduce the number of tags allowed for deer in Eastern Oregon. Maybe completely close some units to reestablish deer numbers. The deer population is at an all time low. If we do nothing the deer in eastern oregon will be a memory for older hunters and just a vision for younger ones.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#663]

Name	Nathan Styffe
Current city of residence	Bend
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I agree that archery hunting has grown increasingly popular and there might need to be something done about controlling hunting pressure in general archery seasons. But, the opportunity to hunt archery every year is probably the best thing about Oregon. I don't know what the solution is, but please consider the value of being able to archery hunt every year regardless of what your drawl results are, especially considering the trending point-creep making it hardly worth it to save up points to draw a good tag.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Same as above.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#662]

Name Seth Tinker

Current Rhododendron
city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

This is a horrible plan and your statistics are not reliable or valid. A true independent study should account for who is being surveyed not a random free for all on phone call. If you want to reduce archery hunting pressure all you need to do is make hunters declare when they apply for controlled hunts. If you apply for a rifle controlled hunt then you are rifle hunting that year. We run into folks all the time who are doing general season archery because they did not draw a controlled rifle tag. You will have less hunting pressure and you will ultimately have more proficient archery hunters if you make hunters declare their weapon when they apply for controlled tags. On a side note has anyone considered what the impact on the Mt hood national Forrest will be if your only opportunity to archery hunt is a general season west side tag?

2. Archery deer: Mule deer numbers are not the result of archery hunting. Numbers are declining in direct relation with the increase in apex predators. Poor predator management has led to poor deer herds. Reduce tags and make all hunts in the east side 3 point or better for archery and rifle.
change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

3. West Cascade more opportunity and move the dates to November.

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season):
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season to
November
OR keep
current
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deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Ember Russell
Current city of residence	Pilot Rock
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes, I agree this needs to be controlled.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	SHUT DOWN BUCK HUNTING FOR A COUPLE YESRS!!!! Please we are going to loose our mule deer if you don't do something about it. We used to drive around see big buck on off season. You drive around and your lucky to see any deer at all. Cut the tags in half at least something needs to happen before we loose them. Too many predators around with us people to keep hunting them this way. Please help our deer please you are there only hope.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Not sure I don't hunt that
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	SHUT DOWN BUCK HUNTING FOR A COUPLE YESRS!!!! Please we are going to loose our mule deer if you don't do something about it. We used to drive around see big buck on off season. You drive around and your lucky to see any deer at all. Cut the tags in half at least something needs to happen before we loose them. Too many predators around with us people to keep hunting them this way. Please help our deer please you are there only hope. Wolf tags need sold and more cougar tags!!

Nick Myatt

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Name	Sharif gharib
Current city of residence	eugene
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	i disagree and think that overcrowding will happen on the west side. The success rates arent higher than rifle also and i believe we have a predator problem more than anything. Allow hound hunting to reduce the predators.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	i disagree and think that overcrowding will happen on the west side. The success rates arent higher than rifle also and i believe we have a predator problem more than anything. Allow hound hunting to reduce the predators.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Todd Wright
Current city of residence	Pilot rock
Email	toddwright87@yahoo.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Keep archery elk general season.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Keep archery deer general season.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep current dates and allow deer hunting as well so hunters can pursue both species.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#658]

Name	David Miller
Current city of residence	Scio
Email	dmmgandr@hotmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Choose your weapon!! Base your decisions on science, not politics!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Agreed, mule deer numbers are devastated. Bring back science based predator removal.. NOT political! Kate Brown DOESN'T CARE WHAT THE VOTERS PASSED! Just look at her destruction of our state. So just like Kate, screw the voters and bring back hound hunting for cougars and bears!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	It's hard to even voice an opinion, when truly you're going to do what you want, and our opinion doesn't mean crap!
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Again, doesn't matter.. I've bow hunted since 1992. I taught Hunters Ed for a few years (until it was clear to me that ODFW was an absolute puppet show.. I'll let you destroy our opportunities once at a time, and at some point, I won't spend another dollar in this state.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#657]

Name Ryan Bensel

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1. This only makes sense if you want to raise the price of tags in the future. Right now anyone can buy a tag (generate revenue), but when it becomes a controlled hunt ODFW will be hurting for money and raise prices again. This is not meant to a rich man sport, but you are making I that way.

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Archery deer:
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Oregon.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

ODFW needs to come clean on wolf population and figure out a way to control it. Right now you say there only x amount of wolves, but don't have an accurate way to count them. With my tax paying dollars you lie to the hand that feeds you and have no problem with that. If these animals were in your back yard killing your pets how would you react? There has to be an agreement that can be reached. Ruling like a communist government has not and will not work. That is what you are doing and you are to blind to see the effects of these decisions you make without seeing the devastation first hand. Someday you will wake up and realize there is more to this state than the Willamette valley and the Democrats that dictate your every decision. Please offer wolf tags, even at a premium price they would sell. That's what you want is more revenue. There is a simple idea. Act on it. It is the right thing to do.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Ron Collier
Current city of residence	Lakeview
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Please leave archery hunting the way it is, do not make it a draw, i am sure most rifle hunters like the idea, i here that comment quit often from rifle hunters that are jealous because archery hunters get a month to hunt the hole state. You have a lot of hunters that did not get a rifle tag so they go archery hunting, so if you put in for rifle tag you can not archery hunt. That would cut down the number of archery hunters and you could leave archer as general hunt
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Please do not make archery deer season a draw, i love hunting but do not want to go to western Oregon to hunt if I do not draw a tag. If you are going to make changes open bear and cougar to hunting with hounds and being able to use bate. It would help the game population better than putting a specific number of hunters in a unit rather than those hunters spreading out over the state to hunt
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	If i read that right, there would not be an archery season in western Oregon. It bothers me to be hunting with a bow and have youth rifle hunt the same time, now you want bow and rifle hunt same time.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	This is getting complicated, i thought the game commission was trying to simplify regulations

Nick Myatt

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Name	Kevin Hutchins
Current city of residence	Salem
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I'm in strong SUPPORT of this change! As stated, the general season archery regulations are outdated and do not align with management objectives. Overcrowding in some units reduces the quality of the hunt, and also leads to more trash left behind closed roads. This is evident in the Snake River unit, especially in the road closure areas. It's time for a change!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I'm in SUPPORT of this change. The mule deer population is not what it once was, and anything we can do to improve this should be considered. This would be one step in that direction.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I'm in SUPPORT of ending the week long closure of deer season and allowing hunters to hunt both deer and elk for the 7 days.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	I'm in favor of a reduction of tag numbers for the Snake River unit "any bull" season for both rifle and archery (considering archery goes to controlled hunting). A small reduction (10-20% perhaps) would improve the quality of the hunt by allowing more big bull escapement.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Name	Jakeb Thompson
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I am kinda in the middle because I think that it will true up the preference point system! But I think you are doing it for the wrong reasons! We all know that the hunter is not the reason that big game animals are going down in numbers. The real reason is predators and it is very frustrating that the ODFW will not admit to this or do anything about it!! We spend tons of money every year with ODFW and it seems like all they do is try and protect all the predators!

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

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4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

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animals are going down in numbers. The real reason is predators and it is very frustrating that the ODFW will not admit to this or do anything about it!! We spend tons of money every year with ODFW and it seems like all they do is try and protect all the predators!

Nick Myatt

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city of
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4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Not quite relevant to the top 3 questions but one of the main changes that I think need to be addressed in my area or the West Biggs Unit is the buck population! We are farmers out here in Sherman county so I get to see a lot of ground and for the last 5 years or so the buck population is decreased a lot. There used to be awesome bucks running around and you'd hear about hunters getting big bucks all over the place and for the last 5 years or so all you hear is "spikes, forked horns, and small 3 points being around" I'm not sure if it's an over hunting kind of thing but there is a definite decrease in the bigger bucks around here.

My 2nd question is Antelope season in the west biggs unit. We have just one field with 400 acres or so and there's a herd of about 30 antelope that never leave. I can go out for a drive and see more antelope than deer on most days. I have been getting the LOP doe tag just to do my part with the population of the antelope. Is there anyway to have some plan drawn up to do a population count to really see how many are in the west biggs and then increase the number of tags that are given out because I have friends that have waited 14-15 years to draw this buck antelope tag and they say the same thing. It shouldn't take this long to draw this tag with the amount of antelope that are running in this county. So that's my two cents on stuff I would like to see looked in to! Thank you for you time!

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I support this change but the proposed tag numbers are too high.

The current controlled hunts are having big issues with point creep. By setting the archery tag numbers so high, archery hunters will still be able to apply for controlled rifle hunts and then draw an archery tag as second choice which will continue this point creep.

As proposed, the tag numbers are a 5% reduction for total archery hunters in 2019. How many of the 2019 archery hunters were hunting archery because they didn't draw a rifle tag?

I propose setting archery tag numbers at 15% reduction from total 2019 archery hunter numbers. This will effectively create a system of choose your weapon and bring 2nd choice chances in alignment for all weapon types.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I support this change but the proposed tag numbers are too high.

The current controlled hunts are having big issues with point creep. By setting the archery tag numbers so high, archery hunters will still be able to apply for controlled rifle hunts and then draw an archery tag as second choice which will continue this point creep.

As proposed, the tag numbers are a 5% reduction for total archery hunters in 2019. How many of the 2019 archery

hunters were hunting archery because they didn't draw a rifle tag?

I propose setting archery tag numbers at 15% reduction from total 2019 archery hunter numbers. This will effectively create a system of choose your weapon and bring 2nd choice chances in alignment for all weapon types.

3. West allow deer hunters in cascade to continue during elk season

Cascade

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Move

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species at

same

time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Predator control strategies are not working. Spring Bear season used to be from April 15–May 31, now it is April 1–May 31 however this change did little to nothing for much of eastern Oregon given the snow in the mountains in early April. Please add more time to Spring bear season in June. Better yet, Make Bear Season a general season year round for Eastern OR if not the entire state. It is already illegal to kill a sow with cubs, so extending to year round changes nothing other than more hunter opportunity for a predator that is greatly increasing in numbers.

Need better cougar management.

Need to work with landowners to perform more broadcast burning in E. OR to improve forage for big game.

Lastly, Please stop raising fees. As an Oregon resident, it is pushing the limit where it is more cost beneficial to hunt out of state as a non-resident for multi species at a time and better quality of hunting.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#651]

Name	Darrell Flora
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I am against this change. If #'s are below a management objective for a unit, make it a controlled hunt the next year. Making the entire East side a controlled hunt will only drive more archery hunters to Western Oregon when they don't draw their unit, because they have no alternative in the East side.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Against this. The issue is predator kill and not hunter harvest.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

Keep current dates and allow deer hunting at the same time.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#650]

Name Micaiah Mullins

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Removing a general archery tag is removing a way of life. In eastern Oregon archery hunting is a way of life. Considering the success rate of hunters in archery elk hunting there is no reason to remove the general tags. I could understand if the success rate was far too high for sustainable the elk population to handle, but it is not. ODFW just added a OTC cow tag with no weapon restrictions and is three months long. I believe ODFW knows that there is a sustainable population but wants the money and changing general to controlled has nothing to do with management but money instead. I am adamantly opposed to this proposed change.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. Due to lack of readily available rifle tags, people rely on general archery year after year for their deer tags. Again this is about money, not management. I am adamantly opposed to this proposed change.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts) Start managing the wolves. Allow hound hunting to control the predator populations. Further restrict free range grazing which decimates elk and deer habitat. Ranchers do not manage their cattle on public lands and allow them to eat everything down to the dirt. If this is supposed to be about management start there.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#649]

1. I like the idea

Archery
elk:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

2. I like the idea

Archery
deer:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. West I think having both at the same time is the better idea.

Cascade
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Cascades
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same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

I have a different idea for you. So instead of visible antler for eastern controlled hunts have the controlled hunts with a 3 point and better bag limit. In my opinion it would give the younger bucks a chance to mature this increasing the population of mature bucks. I usually hunt in the fossil unit on the wheeler burn and have met some of the ranchers that graze the cattle up there and one particular year one of them told me the year Pryor the night before opening morning it snowed and alot of hunters went home so alot of the younger buck that run with the does survived and that was why we were seeing alot more mature bucks than usual. My other suggestion to alleviate the problem of bucks with poor genetics is either go with a doe hunt that also allows spike and 2 points to be shot. Or go with a spike and 2 point controlled hunt as either a 600 series or a 100 series. I think these changes would give us a healthier population by increasing the mature buck to doe ratio and plus when you do get a deer it's a nice mature buck not a little yearling. Thank you for your time

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Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#648]

Name	jesse norton
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	i dont believe this is the answer, choose your weapon in the beginning of season would be my suggestion. I dont think this is a good option.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	no
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	leave the same let them hunt deer the same time
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	we need to do something about our cougars, bears , and coyotes. i will do my part but bringing back dog hunting would benefit our game populations. imo

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#647]

Name Jeremy Wilson

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city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I'm not in favor of making all of Eastern Oregon Controlled archery hunting Unit specific. I would be in favor of Region specific similar to Idaho. Example High Desert, Silvies, Malheur, Beulah and rest of SE Oregon. Blue Mountain Region, Ukiah, Desolation, Starkey, Heppner, Fossil. South Blues, Northside, Murderers Creek, Ochoco. Wallowa zone, Snake River, Pine Creek, Imnaha, Keating, Minam, etc. Obviously units would have to be tweaked by what makes sense. This hurts people with lots of preference pts in the system as well. Some Units do have Hunter crowding issues, but cap those units/Regions on a first come first served basis after the normal draw. Or Leave a percentage of Units General. My hunch is ODF&W will lose Revenue from this, as Rifle hunters that normally apply for Rifle then pick up a bow to General hunt, will be way less likely to do that not knowing Second choice draw odds. I'm a Unit hopper and love this option because what If I'm busting my tail and can't find elk or get them to talk in my main unit? I would be willing to sacrifice for a Region or a few units to hunt rather than one specific Unit. If it goes to One specific Unit, I will be hunting Oregon less and Other states more.

2. **Archery deer:** Are there really that many Archery hunters that are just hunting Deer in Eastern Oregon? I think the majority are opportunistic, hunting deer and elk. Doesn't seem necessary to change this. But if ODF&W is set on changing, Do it by Region or zones as well.

change from general to controlled season in

eastern
Oregon.

3. West Cascade elk This is a good idea. Don't shut Deer season down if leaving the same, November would give Any weapon West Cascade Elk hunters a better opportunity for harvest with the chance of some weather.

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species at
same
time.**

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

How about addressing Predator issues? Lots of Units have good habitat, but with the ever increasing Cougar and Bear populations, and now the Wolf Dynamic, it seems that human predators are the only ones being addressed when the real and obvious denominator is 4 legged predators. Heppner for example, 10 years ago when the cougar population

was trimmed immensely under the Cougar control initiative, Deer and Elk populations exploded. It's not as Scientific as it seems. I would be in favor of a added % or predator management fee to pay county trappers to trim predator populations. Example, all hunters, would pay a \$11.50 Conservation fee every year to hunt, similar to Wyoming. These funds go towards the Predator control. I think we need to be more creative in Oregon with how we manage, and increase funds into the ODF&W budget. Other Western States are making it work even with high #'s of Predators and not trimming hunting opportunity drastically.

Nick Myatt

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Name	KURT fletter
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	This is unfair to archery hunters who have zero points currently? are all the tags going to go to west siders leaving east side residents to hunt where? If rifle tags don't draw then they will hunt the archery general any way. Bad Idea more archery hunters is better for elk not worse.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#645]

Name Chris Moon

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city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Good to control the number of hunters in each specified unit. I've always been in favor of a "quality hunt" instead of a quantity hunt. My problem is that I had the luxury of applying for a point saver every year and hunting my same area in the Desolation unit for the past 20 years. My goal is to save up enough points for the Wenaha archery tag. With 18 points, the next couple years may mean that I don't archery elk hunt at all because I will not be able draw the Wenaha with enough points but can't cash in my points for any other controlled hunt. My only other option right now is to apply for Wenaha and apply for a good second choice in hopes to draw the second choice hunt if I don't draw Wenaha and continue to accumulate points. Some creativity for me will be in store for the next 4 or so years!

Nick Myatt

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Name	Mason Wolf
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Im not crazy about controlled hunts for residents if the animal population can support general season. I would be more supportive of controlled tags for non resident.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Im not crazy about controlled hunts for residents if the animal population can support general season. I would be more supportive of controlled tags for non resident.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	What are the number for hunters who choose rifle deer and elk? I personally hunt rifle elk and archery deer. I appreciate the fact that there are fewer hunters during rifle elk. I think i would be in support of moving the season before allowing deer and elk during the same time.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Shawn Bernards
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No please don't
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No please don't
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move to November

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#642]

Name	Michael cummings
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Not necessary. Adjust the regulations if you need to but forcing it into a draw system will ultimately destroy the conservation effort.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as Elk. Not necessary. This will in turn reduce hunters massively and reduce conservation dollars. Modify the regulations to require mature animals only are taken.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Allow both at the same time. Many of us don't have two full weeks off per year to hunt so being able to fill one tag or the other is a huge bonus. This is what I have always loved about the older archery seasons.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Follow what some of the other states have done which have much higher deer and elk populations.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Robert Hooper
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No! Archery hunters are not the problem with the declining numbers. Predators are! You're running the state for predators. Bring back dogs and watch the ungulates numbers rebound!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No! Archery hunters are not the problem with the declining numbers. Predators are! You're running the state for predators. Bring back dogs and watch the ungulates numbers rebound!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Adding a week to rifle season won't help the deer or elk hunters. I vote keep it the same. But if you add the 3 week to deer season then don't pull it off the back end either.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	What needs to be considered are some better youth hunts. And bringing back a legitimate way to hunt cougars. Also put wolves on the table for hunting. Your a fool to think they aren't decimating the elk herds. You could be making money having sportsman pay you to hunt these instead of using or tax dollars to pay professional trappers. It's all upside for odfw.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Glen Malpass
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	What is your reasoning. We have hunted our area for 35 years (archery). We have seen a steady decline in game once they did away the use of hound hunting. It's not going to get any better since wolves are now here. It's not the hunter it's the predators.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as above but the cougars and coyotes take a large amount of deer. It's not the Hunter.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Shayne Pettigrew
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Very Bad idea, I understand we want our Elk populations to flourish, however that should start with predator control. Bears and cougars should be allowed to be hunted with dogs, just control tags, and wolves have already severely impacted Archery Hunting. On top of that such a small percentage of hunters hunt Archery and a slim percentage of them are successful. This will only make more "poachers". Hunting is in the DNA of so many of us, you cannot just keep taking away our opportunities. Most of us look forward to hunting season 11 months out of the year.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

No, no, no. Who is recommending this??? Why target bow-hunters? Bow hunting is not the reason populations are down. Control bears, cougars, and wolves better. The massive decline all started when you made hunting cougars and bears with dogs illegal. Then you introduced wolves? Why? If you do this you will start losing lots of hunters and along with that, funding.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Controlled Youth Doe Hunts for Keating unit, rifle or bow.

Nick Myatt

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Name Jesse Lawson

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. I am all for it. I think it will distribute hunters and lower point creep. I also agree it will allow. Bio's better ways to manage populations.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I am all for it. I think it will distribute hunters and lower point creep. I also agree it will allow. Bio's better ways to manage populations. I do believe the Mule deer populations are well below 50% of populations since 1994. (Think 80–90%). I also disagree that foliage and environment is the driving factor. There is no doubt it is the predators. The graph of deer decline directly correlates with the passing of measure 18 in 1994. I understand ODFW hands are somewhat tied but why try to hide it from us? Why not fight with us for our deer and elk herds? And come up with other methods of controlling predators?

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current Keep dates and allow deer hunting at same time. It is nice that aside from youth hunters us who are bow or muzzle-loading in November do not have to compete with rifle.

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pursue both
species at
same time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts) I heard a great idea the other day to provide incentive to controlling predators. Why not award preference point to those who check in a bear or cougar? You could do one point for checking in a bear and 2 points for checking in a cougar. This would get outdoorsman excited to hunt hard for bears and cougars and also ensure those successful that they can hunt the east side every year.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Roger Herron
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	The action would cut the archery hunters options and have them be on the same playing field as rifle hunters when having to choose their hunts. Sounds fair to me.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	The action would cut the archery hunters options and have them be on the same playing field as rifle hunters when having to choose their hunts. Again Sounds fair and logical to me.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Pushing it to November would be the better of the options since the reason for not allowing both Buck and Bull hunters in the woods at the same time was to keep people from being tempted to shoot animals they didn't have tags for and have a buddy tag it. Also too many people in the woods all at once with both animals being pursued causing conflicts within hunting groups who normally camp the same areas for buck and bull hunt now converging all at one time.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Hopefully the changes are all science based by the actual biologist and not group backed tree hugging PETA members.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Nick Lay
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

This is a terrible idea. Populations in decline due to PREDATORS. Another reason is increased highway traffic. Allow more passages for animals to cross highways. Allow more funding for thinning highways like they did 97 to see deer and elk further away to avoid them. Archery hunters aren't the reason. Bring back hounds. Incentivize predator hunting. Don't make me burn my 10 points I've saved up to apply for a fork rock bow tag. This is not the answer.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

This is a terrible idea. Populations in decline due to PREDATORS. Another reason is increased highway traffic. Allow more passages for animals to cross highways. Allow more funding for thinning highways like they did 97 to see deer and elk further away to avoid them. Archery hunters aren't the reason. Bring back hounds. Incentivize predator hunting. Don't make me burn my 10 points I've saved up to apply for a fork rock bow tag. This is not the answer.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

Sure

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

I've heard from Odfw employees the way you survey western or heard counts is driving around at night. Seeing animals. And guessing how many are off the road. Maybe a more thorough animal population count could better serve how many tags can be given. Also have you seen how

thick it is? And it's full of cougars killing all the deer. Every camera I have up west of cascades (where I'm from) is LITTERED with cougars.

Nick Myatt

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Name Kyle Heley

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I do not agree with this at all. You would be taking opportunity from archers in Oregon, when the real problem is the increased population of predators in the state. Bring back hound hunting for predatory animals and the numbers of ungulates will rise. Another reason i am against this is because it will increase the density of hunters in the western portion of the state, and further dwindle the Roosevelt Elk and Blacktail populations. Another reason i am against this is because archery season is in a high fire danger season. If my unit that i happen to draw is on fire that year, i wouldn't be able to hunt.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I do not agree with this at all. You would be taking opportunity from archers in Oregon, when the real problem is the increased population of predators in the state. Bring back hound hunting for predatory animals and the numbers of ungulates will rise. Another reason i am against this is because it will increase the density of hunters in the western portion of the state, and further dwindle the Roosevelt Elk and Blacktail populations. Another reason i am against this is because archery season is in a high fire danger season. If my unit that i happen to draw is on fire that year, i wouldn't be able to hunt.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon Keep current dates and allow hunting of both

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Nick Myatt

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3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Yes to moving season to November No to deer hunting during elk season population is already down with cougar, hair loss, and too many doe hunts and now add wolf predation as well
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Move archery season out of elk rut period as commented too many archery hunters and leases on private timberlands have allowed them to access what used to be refuges elk numbers have been on the decline for the last 15 years

Nick Myatt

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Name	casey nelson
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	nope! terrible idea!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	nope, terrible idea!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	i dont hunt cascades. but i like the idea of being able to pursue both species at the same time! it means people would take less trips into the forest and have less impact. instead of 1 trip for deer and 1 for elk. they just take 1 total and be just as unsuccessful!

Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I personally believe this is a horrible idea. What will occur upon this going through is the western side of the state will be overpopulated with hunters more than it already is! Please don't change it!!!!!!!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Please don't!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep the dates and allow hunters to hunt both species at the same time.

Nick Myatt

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Current city of residence	Albany
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	It's not going to do a lot of good. 1st off not enough law enforcement to enforce. And the main problem here are the 4 legged predators guys. And how can you possibly compare a rifle hunt to an archery hunt??
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as elk
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I think your going to have to many guns in the woods in the few areas that actually hold animals. People will end up getting shot
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Just use our money to actually help our deer and elk herdS like you're supposed to and stop wasting it on everything else. Wolves especially creating another HUGE problem

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:30 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#630]

Name	Monica McGinnis
Current city of residence	Dallas
Email	mmcginnis32@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I would like to keep it general season for residence I would like to see limited tags for out-of-state hunters.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Choose your weapon before tag draws
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Push it back so it's the same time line with general season rifle hunts.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Wolf hunts2. Hunt with dog for bears and cougars Put a tag limit on each area for each animal.3. Bate for bears and cougars. Put a tag limit on each area for each Animal.

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#629]

Name	Jim Bauldree
Current city of residence	Canby
Email	bauldree@canby.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I am totally against the change to a controlled hunt. Predators are the biggest problem we have now. Please fix this problem.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I am totally against the change to. a controlled hunt. Predators are the biggest problem we have.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Allow deer hunting during elk season.

Nick Myatt

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Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:30 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#628]

Name Brian Harmon

Current city of residence Harrisburg

Email brianharmon94@yahoo.com

1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I do not feel changing from OTC to controlled hunting is the best answer to this particular issue. I feel that choosing your weapon of choice is a fair better solution. First it takes away that option from folks that don't draw rifle tags to bowhunt. So in a sense one could call it a modified controlled aspect. Second allow first season rifle hunts to 7days from 5days. It give those folks more opportunities to harvest. Third we MUST to a better job at predator control! I know your backs are against the wall on this and you hear it from both sides about how to control them. We've got to find a way though. I've trusted you all and will keep trusting you that you're making the best sound biological decisions that can be made. If you do switch to controlled East side hunting please think about making zones such as Idaho does. Or first come first served type of system for each zone.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. I think that the answers above go for deer as well.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to I support this idea

November OR

keep current

dates but

allow deer

hunting in

Cascades to

continue

during elk

season so

hunters can

pursue both

species at

same time.

**4. Other
changes being
considered
(incl. tag
numbers/hunt
tables for
specific
hunts)**

Again I feel that if you're set on controlled hunts in the eastern parts of the state you should think about the zone idea and first come first served. Also allowing youths to harvest does and cows during bow season would make for those kids staying in hunting for the long run if they can harvest early in their lives.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#627]

Name	Jim Sexton
Current city of residence	Hermiston
Email	sextonj611@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes. The mass of travel trailers coming East is disheartening during hunting season.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No. Not enough deer here or taken during archery to worry about. Hard to find a buck during rifle season.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Sure
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Make some units 3 point or better on deer.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:25 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#626]

Name	Martin Getch
Current city of residence	Portland
Email	mjgetch@icloud.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I think this is a terrible idea. Goto a choose your weapon system similar to Washington. Make that choice binding before the draw. That will cut back on rifle hunters who apply for a specific tag and if they don't draw then decide to archery. Can go further and make the choice between East and west before applying also.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I think this is a terrible idea. Goto a choose your weapon system similar to Washington. Make that choice binding before the draw. That will cut back on rifle hunters who apply for a specific tag and if they don't draw then decide to archery. Can go further and make the choice between East and west before applying also.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I think moving the cascade rifle season to nov to better line up with other rifle seasons is a good plan
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Oregon needs better predator management, the issues are from wolves, cougars and black bears

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:24 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#625]

1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. Limited tags for out of State hunters. Or draw only. Choose weapon before tag draws.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. Limited tags for out of State hunters. Or draw only. Choose weapon before tag draws.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time. Match General season rifle

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts) Add wolf hunts. Batting and dogs for cougar and bears

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:23 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#624]

Name	Damian Hatrman
Current city of residence	Pocatello idaho
Email	Damianhartman21@yahoo.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	please don't do this, to many people rely on this tag just to be able to hunt
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as a above please don't do this to many people rely on this rag just to be able to hunt
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<p>please stop the predator problem, I moved to idaho for a few years for college and they have such a better control on there predators. I grew up hunting oregon and miss it dearly and can't wait to come hunt here again. But the way the predators are managed make it hard for someone just to harvest a deer over east anymore. Family deer hunts are not the same anymore.</p> <p>Please fix that. People deserve these great memories back. Future generations will thank you instead of trash talk you.</p> <p>Thank you</p>

Nick Myatt

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Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:21 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#623]

Name	Ken Douglas
Current city of residence	Bend
Email	tobyrules@ykw.net
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I absolutely disagree with this change.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I absolutely disagree with this change,
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	The season should stay as is.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	I find it very disappointing that the changes being discussed are thought up by a book smart biologist who for the most part doesn't hunt. I have hunted in Oregon most of my life and if the changes are made I will no longer support the state by buying a license and will support neighboring states with all the monies I would have spent in Oregon. I am only one of many members of several organizations but echo the statement made by many others.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:20 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#622]

Name Bryce Pick

Current city of residence Halsey

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1. **Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.** I strongly disagree with making archery elk a controlled season in eastern Oregon. I would rather see us add a proficiency test if you are looking for increased funds from the draws or looking to limit bow hunters opportunities. A proficiency test would only limit those that are most likely to wound game and are being irresponsible bow hunters.

2. **Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.** I strongly disagree with making archery deer a controlled season in eastern Oregon. I would rather see us add a proficiency test if you are looking for increased funds from the draws or looking to limit bow hunters opportunities. A proficiency test would only limit those that are most likely to wound game and are being irresponsible bow hunters. If you want to limit numbers even more due to lower deer numbers I would be ok with a 3 or 4 point minimum on deer in the hardest hit areas.

3. **West Cascade** I have no experience or comment on this topic.

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both
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same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

DO NOT CUT OPPORTUNITY FOR BOWHUNTERS. If you limit hunters in their opportunity and ability to hunt ever single year then you will push hunters out of the sport. If you push hunters out tag sales and the industry as a whole will take a huge hit and may never recover. Things like making areas have to take mature deer would help the deer numbers grow and keep the young healthy deer growing while still keeping participation up. A proficiency test will not only bring revenue for the state, but will also stimulate archery shops/businesses/clubs as people will need to practice more, get lessons on shooting, invest in better equipment, and be more active in their shooting.

Nick Myatt

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Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:20 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#621]

Name Luke Neumann

Current city of residence La Grande

Email neumannplumbing@hotmail.com

1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Hunting general season in eastern Oregon is a vital part of our family's tradition, heritage, culture, and history. Generations of true hunter conservationist have grown and developed over the years from the opportunity to pursue and hopefully harvest big game in eastern Oregon. Our respect and care for this privilege runs deeper than the paper regulations written by few but demanded to be lawfully followed by all. Constantly changing these regulations doesn't help but creates more frustration. My Dad doesn't want to participate any more because of the complicated process it takes just to be legal, so he doesn't go anymore, explain that to his granddaughters and grandson! Not having a general season for the people who work, live, and hunt in eastern Oregon is going to have greater impacts on our lives than just changing a few regulations.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Hunting general season in eastern Oregon is a vital part of our family's tradition, heritage, culture, and history. Generations of true hunter conservationist have grown and developed over the years from the opportunity to pursue and hopefully harvest big game in eastern Oregon. Our respect and care for this privilege runs deeper than the paper regulations written by few but demanded to be lawfully followed by all. Constantly changing these regulations doesn't help but creates more frustration. My Dad doesn't want to participate any more because of the complicated process it takes just to be legal, so he doesn't go anymore, explain that to his granddaughters and grandson! Not having a general season for the people who work, live, and hunt in eastern Oregon is going to have greater impacts on our lives than just changing a few regulations.

3. West Cascade I don't live there so I cannot speak for those most impacted by this proposed change.

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same
time.

Nick Myatt

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Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:20 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#620]

Name	Jon Hansen
Current city of residence	Bend
Email	hansenjonf@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Seems like a smart idea to me
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Make it all draws

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:19 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#619]

Name	Ryan Shelander
Current city of residence	grants pass
Email	advantageroofing1@yahoo.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	NO.. Make everyone choose weapon before draw.. rifle or bow Allow cougar hunting with hounds
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	NO.. Allow cougar hunting with hounds
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	keep
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	ALLOW COUGAR HUNTING WITH HOUNDS

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:15 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#618]

Name	Alex Mitchell
Current city of residence	Redmond
Email	alexemitchell21@gmail.com

1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I don't think making eastern Oregon a draw tag is necessary for elk; however, I do believe something needs to be done: what about making it so you have to chose to put in for a rifle season (controlled hunt) or you chose an archery from the beginning. This would prevent the people who don't draw and just go decide to pick up an archery tag. Just a thought.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

With the decline in the mule deer numbers, I actually agree with this.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

No opinion on this one

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:14 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#617]

Name	Matt Mcginnis
Current city of residence	Dallas
Email	hoyt32@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. I would like to keep it general season for residence I would like to see limited tags for out-of-state hunters.2. Choose your weapon before tag draws
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. I would like to keep it general season for residence I would like to see limited tags for out-of-state hunters.2. Choose your weapon for tag draws
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Push it back so it's the same time line with general season rifle hunts.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Wolf hunts2. Hunt with dog for bears and cougars Put a tag limit on each area for each animal.3. Bate for bears and cougars. Put a tag limit on each area for each Animal.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#616]

Name	Seth Hamel
Current city of residence	Albany OR
Email	seth@pmsinstrument.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	i would not like this change due to the fact that it would limit my options for hunting both east and west with my archery tag. i could no longer go hunt for a week over east and if not successful still hunt near my house.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	the down side to this is that it limits the opportunity but i do feel as if the deer herds are struggling more than the elk and so i do think there needs to be tag cuts. the tag cuts should come from the rifle hunts instead of the archery hunters because they kill way more deer that the archery hunters.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	no input
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	there needs to be more cougar harvests! this is something i say over and over, there has to be less predators like cougars in Oregon. also the cow hunts in eastern Oregon and in the cascades need to be drastically cut in my opinion. also the buck deer hunts in many units should be cut until the deer can get back on there feet. Thanks!

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:10 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#614]

Name	Travis Adair
Current city of residence	La grande
Email	adairtd@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I think this is a fantastic idea for elk, it would cause bow hunters to choose their weapon rather than keep applying for dream rifle hunts and go after general elk when they don't draw. Those of us who exclusively rifle hunt have to wait our turn, so should they. With the massive numbers of general season elk hunters flocking to eastern Oregon this should allow for some reduced hunting pressure and make the season a better experience for both the hunters who do draw tags and the animals.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Unlike elk, archery deer season doesn't benefit from the rut. A general deer archery season I think would be beneficial for those who want to pursue the chance of trying to fill a general archery tag. I would like to see general archery tags remain in eastern Oregon.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I would like to see deer hunting in the cascades continue during elk season so hunters can go after either species.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Rather than reduce deer tag numbers for eastern Oregon hunts like desolation and northside, please consider adopting a 3 or 4 point or better restriction for a time. This will allow you to sell tags, allow hunters an opportunity to find a larger buck, and let the smaller bucks grow and hopefully help the deer populations recover.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:09 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#613]

Name	Shawn Penninger
Current city of residence	Pendleton,OR
Email	shawnpenninger@icloud.com

1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

The possibility of drawing no tag at all is somewhat unsettling. This is particularly discouraging when \$1000's of dollars have been invested into this recreational activity. I would like to see some type of preference based on zip code and the unit. For Example, if I draw a tag 5 hours away my opportunity to hunt significantly decreases based on drive time and costs for fuel. Archery is low low % tag to kill ratio. Limiting this even more by drawing units will make archery elk nearly impossible for some hunter to ever harvest an animal.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:07 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#612]

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| 1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. | Not without changing western Oregon to draw also |
| 2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. | Yes |
| 3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time. | Let the seasons run concurrently |
| 4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts) | Shorten bow season or do a draw statewide and make laser rangefinders illegal and encourage more ethical ie shorter range shots |

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:06 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#611]

Name	Kyle Heley
Current city of residence	Albany
Email	ky.heley3@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I do not agree with this at all. I think predation is the main issue at hand, and it needs to be taken care of. Archery is a much more difficult way to take an animal, and by restricting it even more, it allows less of a chance for us archers to hunt.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I do not agree with this at all. I think predation is the main issue at hand, and it needs to be taken care of. Archery is a much more difficult way to take an animal, and by restricting it even more, it allows less of a chance for us archers to hunt.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep current dates, and allow both species to be pursued at the same time
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	I think things are fine the way they are currently.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:06 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#610]

Name	Colton Henderson
Current city of residence	Roseburg
Email	bull.rider4life@live.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Well if you guys do this it's gonna crowd the coastal rage really bad. If you guys do this you need to talk to timber companies so hunters don't get fucked over.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Yes run the deer and elk together

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:05 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#609]

Name	Alexander Stokes
Current city of residence	Springfield
Email	alexkstokes@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Don't change.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Don't change.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep current dates.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Don't change.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:03 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#608]

Name	Jacob Johnston
Current city of residence	Union
Email	jacobjohnston52@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Do not take my general season elk opportunity away from me. This is my favorite time of the year and look forward to it. Not only for the hunting but for the experience. If you want more elk in Oregon start controlling the predators Numbers that are out of control.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Don't do it I vote no as an eastern Oregonian let the people here make that descision not over in salem
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No comment I do t hint over there.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Seems like the more money we pay each year the less that is getting done and we continue to have less game and less fish. Controls the predators that no one wants over here in eastern Oregon and take your wolves to Portland. Do your jobs and get the number of deer and elk back to where they need to be and the fish counts back to where the use to be with out affecting our way of life and limiting our hunting opportunities

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#607]

Name	Gene Lederer
Current city of residence	Klamath Falls
Email	gnolederer@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I do believe that this is needed as some units are being overrun with people during the season.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as above
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep current dates, allow deer hunting at same time.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	I believe all big game seasons should be moved to 2 weeks later in the year as per global warming. Most years the eastern Oregon forests are way too dry to even be out in them during the seasons.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 26, 2020 8:02 AM
To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#606]

Name Matt Van Dyke

Current city of residence Forest Grove

Email matt@eagle-prec.com

1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I strongly suggest you rethink this idea- I have no doubt this is another attempt to get additional funds thru the application process. I have taken both my sons rifle and archery eastern Or. to get them introduced to hunting. After school starts, I hunt western Or. with just dad time. You are certainly losing the interest of future hunters with the current issues such as overwhelming cougar and wolf predation. Kids need success to stay interested. You are simply making it worse with limiting opportunities. Your funding will continue to suffer. I suggest dog hunting for cougar, killing off 50% of the wolves and maintain that number thru hunting and shorten seasons where archery is a "problem" as you state or make it 3 point or less if you think archers are taking all the "big bulls" . Do not make it a lottery draw and do not make it east OR west. I assure you there are better ways other than this very uninformed approach. In order to encourage young hunters, you need to make it easier not harder to attain an annual hunting tradition.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Other than the money grab for entry fee's, this makes no sense. Deer are not rutting during archery nor are the success rates that high compared to rifle. LEAVE THE CURRENT SYSTEM ALONE if you want future generations to get into hunting. You know full well the cougar and wolves are devastating the mule deer herds. Fix it with permitted dog hunting and control the cougar/wolf predation just as you do with human predation. ODFW will financially suffer in the years to come as you drive out the family traditions. Without funding, what will you do? You think poaching is bad now, make it harder to be legal and see what happens. I have hunted Oregon for 40 plus years. I am so dissapointed with the ODFW and where you have taken this wonderful family tradition.

4. Other changes being considered Until you acknowledge the destructive effects cougar and wolf predation is causing, you will fail in every attempt to manage healthy herds thru human hunter controls. This is not Yellowstone Park and your considered

(incl. tag studies cannot be based on the national park results. Last I checked, humans are not hunting in our
numbers/hunt national parks (legally)!
tables for
specific
hunts)

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#605]

Name	Joseph Gunt
Current city of residence	Rainier
Email	hoehint480@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I support this change to controlled hunting
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I support this change to controlled hunting
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I support moving the Cascade season to mirror the dates of the coast seasons in November
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	I feel that 5% below 2019 participation for tag allocation of elk archery tags is not reducing the archery participation enough for future tag holders to have a quality hunt.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#604]

Name	Zak Boehm
Current city of residence	Baker city
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I think a better option would be pick your weapon. With archery only having about a 15% succes rate I don't feel that archery hunters are impacting the population that much. By making it choose your weapon it would cut down on the number of hunters because it would keep normal rifle hunters from archery hunting. Most full time archery hunters don't ever get a rifle tag but a lot of times rifle hunters get archery tags when they don't draw there rifle tag.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same response as I had for elk.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	This doesn't affect me so I have no opinion
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	My only thing is make it choose your weapon at the time you apply for tags. If you do a point saver you have to specify archery or rifle. If at the time of application you apply for a rifle tag then you can't buy an over the counter archery tag.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#603]

Name	Dustin Grant
Current city of residence	Klamath falls
Email	dustingrant4422@hotmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Leave the general season alone!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Leave the general season alone!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Leave the same
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Bring back hound hunting for predators

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#602]

Name	William Bowles
Current city of residence	Prineville
Email	spear1chucker@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I feel it should be pick before the draw iif you want to hunt archery or rifle I'm fine with the draw but for archery you should have to pass and archery Course in order to hunt archery to many people run out at the last minute buy a bow and think there are an archery hunter witch is not the case I feel you need to know your equipment and know how to hunt archery witch is much different than hunt with a rifle also spike hunts should be done away with an cow hunts should be lowered Drastically
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I'm good with and I feel that the bag lint should be 3 point or better
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No comment
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Most all the damage control tags on elk on private land should be done away with ive ranched for many years and they can make Provisions to keep them out of hay fields and stack yards and the sell of land owner tags should be done away with they should have to draw like everyone else

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#601]

Name	Wayne Baldwin
Current city of residence	La Grande
Email	waynebaldwin1950@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No..
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No..
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Current dates.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	No..

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#600]

Name	Bryan Peeples
Current city of residence	Molalla
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I have been archery hunting only for many years and recomend and hope that you dont take my opportunity to continue this long tradition and passion of mine , I strongly suggest you do other things like better predator control management and making the applicants choose their weapon of choice before they apply for draws so that doesnt take the opportunity for others that are and have been strictly archery hunters

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#599]

Name Benjamin Tompkins

Current Junction City
city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

We should start out by limiting out of state hunters before in-state hunters. When I went to NE Oregon on the general season hunt I ran into more out of state hunters than in state. Also, I noticed during ODFW's meeting that there are far more bow hunters and that is the reason for possibly doing this. But that same graph, if i'm not mistaken, indicated that less elk are being killed than in the 1980's. So why are we limiting tags? We want the opportunity to build points for the difficult to draw tags and bow hunt as we do it. How is that going to happen when we have to apply first choice for a bow tag?

2. We want the opportunity to build points for the difficult to draw tags and bow hunt as we do it. How is that going to happen when we have to apply first choice for a bow tag?

Archery
deer:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. **West** I agree with this thought process. Either one would work for me.
Cascade
elk
(general

any-legal
weapon
season):
Move
season to
November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

When will be allowed to MANAGE predators, including wolves?! We need to dog hunt cougars (controlled through yearly quota's). They are too hard to kill with out dogs. While hunting in NE Oregon I encountered 13 wolves in one group. I found no elk tracks in that particular spot, which historically held many many elk. Almost everyone I talked to had seen wolves on both sides of the river and miles apart. Are we managing for predators now? And if so, why? Why can't we manage for all animals. I'm fine with wolves on the landscape. I actually enjoy them. But why do we have to wait until, in certain areas, they wipe out the elk and push them into other regions completely?

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#598]

Name	Brian Wilhelm
Current city of residence	Washington
Email	extremepformance@live.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	The way our game is managed we need to reduce the amount of hunters so yes draws are the only way to go. You can reduce hunter numbers but still make your money off the applications.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yep
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No terrible idea
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Look at the way our game is thriving obviously you guys know what your doing lol

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#597]

Name	Jeff Snow
Current city of residence	Powell butte
Email	jeffsnow192@hotmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes I agree 100%
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I don't think this would benefit the deer population as much as being able to run cougars with dogs again and or cutting back on rifle tags
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Yes
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Cut rifle tags, allow cougars and bears to be ran with dogs, let us shoot wolfs, and make units 3 point or better get some trophy units back again!

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#596]

Name	Katrina Sloan
Current city of residence	Bend
Email	katrina.sloan.rs@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	We should be able to buy a Archery tag if we don't get rifle tags.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	We should be able to buy a Archery tag if we don't get rifle tags.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	They should not have the right to hunt both at the same time. No where else in Oregon does anyone get to do that. We have to take two separate trips for our hunts, then so should people who hunt in the Cascades.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Why did several people with 5 points draw My. Emily branch bull tags this year? But people with 17 points didn't? Maybe fix the draw system. And get rid of so many people hunting. Starkey is overrun, takes at least 6years to get a branch bull tag and then when you do draw it you run in to hunters every ten feet. How is that safe for hunting. Also Lower the numbers of hunting tags EVERYWHERE. AND, LIMIT and CHARGE LIKE CRAZY FOR OUT OF STATE PEOPLE. PEOPLE THAT ARE BORN AND RAISED IN OREGON SHOULDNT BE FIGHTING FOR TAGS FROM PEOPLE FROM OTHER STATES.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#595]

Name	Brendan May
Current city of residence	La Grande
Email	brendanmay28@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>Don't really like the idea but would consider if there were regions, blue mtn, eagle caps, etc.</p> <p>I hunt in imnaha every opening weekend, Starkey near my house, but also pack into minam occasionally.</p> <p>Our whole hunting group tradition would be torn apart.</p>
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Deer problems need to be addressed with predator control, then habitat improvement, then whitetail control. In that order.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep as same
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Adjustment of tag numbers should happen EVERY year. That is what we pay biologists for.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#594]

Name	Douglas Bennett
Current city of residence	keno
Email	dbennett3606@charter.net
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	The general tag provides a far greater opportunity for hunters, especially youth hunters who might never draw a tag.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	The same for general Deer tags, these give our young hunters an opportunity they might never get with a draw tag. Youth hunting IS the future of hunting .
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Both tags at the same time allows hunters with limited time the chance to hunt.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	not familiar with this.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#593]

Name	Wayne Chastain
Current city of residence	Baker City
Email	esmchastain@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Absolutely not
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Absolutely not
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move to November
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	No changes. It is already too hard to hunt. Quit changing things every year to make it harder...

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#592]

Name	Kelly Crewse
Current city of residence	Klamath Falls
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Not for this at all, archery hunting is defiantly to the reason for the decline in animals. Time and attention needs to be taken to reduce the predator population back to controllable numbers.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as above
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I think this would be a good idea.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Consider quotas on out of state tags, take a look at Idaho's program.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#591]

Name Brian Martin

Current Elgin
city of
residence

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1. Other than, no longer being able to float from unit to unit, I don't see this being negative. I spend time in those heavily hunted units, and won't be disappointed to see 20% less in the woods. However, I think these decisions should be made for biological reasons only, and not on hunter crowding, etc.

Archery
elk:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

2. We have to understand we cannot continue unlimited hunting when populations are a fraction of the management goal. I do think several of the units proposed tag numbers are still too high.

Archery
deer:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. **West** I've never done this hunt, and probably shouldn't pass judgement that could be used in decision making.
Cascade

elk
(general
any-legal
weapon
season):
Move
season to
November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

1. I don't think any unit should be issuing more tags than projected animals. Example....we estimate 500 bucks in this unit can be harvested.....so we issue 1500 tags. This is very bad, and the reason we are in such trouble.
2. I think it would be very helpful to get hunters to swallow these poison pills, if we predefine population levels, adult male ratios, etc, where if achieved, we will move back to general seasons for many of these hunts. Taking away opportunity for "simplification" purposes is wrong. We should be making these decisions based on biology solely, not on hunter crowding.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#590]

Name	Bryan Strong
Current city of residence	Redmond
Email	bryanstrong50@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I'm ok with more units becoming controlled but leave some open and maybe shorten archery season if there is over harvest. If there is a unit (desolation for example) that has high hunter density and a below objective numbers make that one controlled. Some of these units need management and if it means going a few years with less elk opportunities but means better herds in the future I'm ok with it
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I don't think it's necessary for every unit to just blanket become controlled. There are a lot of deer still, they just are sticking closer to town. We've encroached on their habitat
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Allow deer/elk especially if you're shutting down archery opportunities. People are going to give up hunting Oregon if you make it too hard on them.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Give incentive for predator control on cougars, seems to be a lot of whining about wolves lately. If they're causing so much damage why are we intentionally re integrating them? Maybe if you're decreasing archery opportunities give us some more muzzloader opportunities.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#589]

Name	Tim McGinnis
Current city of residence	Dallas
Email	tmcginnissp@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No, so much harder with a bow! You can't compare archery with guns. Too different worlds.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No, same as above!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep it the same.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Cut down on out of state hunters.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#588]

Name	Joshua Marvin
Current city of residence	Sweet Home
Email	bowhuntermarvin@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	NO! You guys continually make sportsman pay more and you continually take opportunities away from us. There's not enough animals or space on the west side of the state to support this huge influx of hunters this rule would cause. It seems you are continually trying to take our hunting rights away from us and I'm done with it!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	See the response above!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No comment.

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#587]

Name Eric Strand

Current city of residence Warren

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

NOT IN FAVOR of this recommendation. As an alternative look at predator control. A reduction in cow hunts (season length to improve calf recruitment and herd health). Establish zones with over the counter tag quotas and non resident tag quotas. Make each applicant choose his/her method of hunting at time of application and make them stick with that selection for that year. Example: If I decide to apply for a rifle elk tag I would be restricted to rifle elk hunting for that season. By having the applicant choose his/her weapon this would also spread out your preference point holders and help solve the point creep issue that is getting out of hand and out of reach for many.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. IN FAVOR of this recommendation. Our mule deer populations are at levels that will soon be unrecoverable and everything needs to be done to help them get back to healthy and thriving population levels.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current IN FAVOR

dates but
allow deer
hunting in
Cascades to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters can
pursue both
species at
same time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts) Weapons choice restrictions, hunt zones with tag quotas, 3 point or better for all mule deer hunts. Restrict length of season for cow elk hunts and damage tags and above all else we have to do something about the predator situation. If we cant recruit calves and fawns every year we will never have healthy/thriving populations.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#586]

Name	Dave Germer
Current city of residence	Battle Ground
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	yes i believe it should be no different than controlled rifle season on the east side, as well as if they do not draw then they would have a spike only option.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	yes
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	keep the same

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#585]

Name	Seth Stone
Current city of residence	Union
Email	sethstone123@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes I think it is a good idea
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes I think it's a good idea
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Yes
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	No E tagging

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#584]

Name	Aaron Anderson
Current city of residence	Madras
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I do not agree with changing from a General season to a controlled season. This will further decrease the hunting opportunities for people and will have a ripple effect of loss revenue for small rural towns that depend on the money spent by hunters and others in the industry.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I do not agree with changing from a General season to a controlled season. This will further decrease the hunting opportunities for people and will have a ripple effect of loss revenue for small rural towns that depend on the money spent by hunters and others in the industry.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#583]

Name	Richard thorp
Current city of residence	Roseburg
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

mimic idaho. General season, over thw counter. Limit tags to 3 units per series. Limit tag numbers . First come first serve. You will ruin the draw system. Anyone thats been saving points for lets say MT. EMILY and doesn't draw it will loose the bow hunt opportunity in Oregon. Which will result in lower tag sales. Most people I've talked to won't waist 18 points just to hunt a now General season hunt.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

Get rid of unlimited tags.....

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Get rid of unlimited tags for western rifle deer or go to a 3 point or better on antler points. Get rid of unlimited tags for cascade elk.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#582]

Name Jace Magee

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city of
residence

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1. General only. Controlled hunts in eastern Oregon already take too many points for what little elk population we have.

Archery
elk:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

2. Stay general. See above comment*

Archery
deer:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. **West** Doesn't apply to me.
Cascade

elk
(general
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Move
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can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

#1: MANAGE Wolf population. #2: move archery season back a couple weeks. #3: really look into the “mandatory hunter report” and see that mature mule deer bucks are hard to come by in units like sled springs, Catherine creek, Minam, etc. I’m personally in the woods 5 days a week or more (I haul logs) and it’s VERY rare to see a nice mature buck. During season I see so many immature bucks get taken because they’re oblivious when it comes to hunters. I personally believe there should be a 3pt or bigger mandate on mule deer buck tags. We need those spikes and forked horn bucks to mature and reproduce before getting taken out by road hunters, because that does happen.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#581]

Name	Tony Carnes
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I believe that archery season should be changed to a draw system. They should have to put in for a big bull hunt just like rifle hunters. If you dont draw a big bull tag, then you can choose to hunt spike only.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	It should be changed to draw only, numbers are just too low.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I don't hunt on the west side of the state, so I don't believe I should comment.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Tag numbers should be dropped because of game numbers

Nick Myatt

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Name	rich trowsell
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>Take most popular units first and make them a controlled hunt similar to Ochocco. Any unit with over 1250 hunters drop them down to a 1000 tags. Obviously this is very flawed creating issues with local residents not being able to hunt where they always have.</p> <p>Instead of that idea why not create a choose your weapon system like so many people have suggested. Never have I heard that in any of your proposals.</p> <p>Point creep is a real issue, I believe this could help</p>
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>No, Make it 3 point or better</p> <p>No, Make it 3 point or better</p> <p>No, Make it 3 point or better</p> <p>No, Make it 3 point or better.....Statewide.....LET THEM GROW</p>
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	<p>No one cares about this hunt. I believe the only success you see in this hunt is from it coinciding with the second estrus of cow elk. Bugling bulls</p>
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<p>If you move the whole east side to draw only you will be creating a huge problem in the west. Better take that into account</p>

Nick Myatt

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Name	Austin Jackson
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>This is a horrible mistake. You are going to take away so many hunting opportunities. If you Care about the tradition of hunting at all. You will not go through with this.</p> <p>How about making it if you put in for rifle tag you can't get a general archery tag. Make quotas with zones. A controlled hunt is pure insanity.</p>
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	My opinion is the same
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Something needs to be done about the wolves, cats and bears. The predator population is out of control.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Derek kirby
Current city of residence	Union
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	horrible idea. This change goes against everything you have ever claimed your trying to do
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as my opinion on elk this goes against every single thing you have claimed that your trying to do.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Lop tag removal is unfair for the land owners that feed the wildlife. Take the wolves off the endangered list. Let hound hunting come back for cougar and let people bait bear again. Predator numbers are to high and you guys know it!

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#577]

Name	Gerald Tadina
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes.....at some point management of hunter numbers needs to begin.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes.....at some point management of hunter numbers needs to begin.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Have different seasons hunters have better experience by hunting single species & not having to deal with other species hunters in woods. Also more individuals will have privilege to hunt, albeit only one species.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Put everything on a somewhat controlled hunt type system providing better control of hunter numbers in sensitive areas.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Jeff Manley
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I think this is a horrible idea. I work in the woods, i play in the woods, i live in the woods. Elk numbers are not that low. How can you want to go to controlled tags and yet give a unlimited crop damage cow tag. And you will hurt Eastern Oregon Hunters, who will have little chance to hunt every year in the region they live in.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I may disagree with the elk going to controlled for archery, this i agree with. There is no deer in Eastern Oregon. Something needs to change. It is hard to even see deer. There is nothing in the woods like there used to be. I have hunted Minam ,Catherine Crk, North side, Starkey, Desolation. Very few deer

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

No comment

Nick Myatt

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Name	bryan snyder
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Don't agree with this since it will eliminate hunting opportunity which ODFW always says they are trying to offer by not lowering the tag numbers for rifle hunters. eliminating predators is the change that needs to happen not changing the rules for hunters.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	don't agree since archery hunters don't really harvest that many deer and since there are not that many deer left in eastern Oregon why bother with this change,
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	no dog in this fight
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	offer hunters the chance to gain a big game preference point for killing a cougar or killing 5 coyotes might be a good idea. deer hunting needs to be closed on the east side so deer numbers can increase. change eastern Oregon hunts for deer to 3 points or better.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Zach Mansfield
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	For sake of elk management I say yes. For sake of hunter opportunities I say no. I think if you made hunters choose either rifle or archery, that may reduce hunter impact in certain areas. Another option that couple help, break down current general archery areas into section with a tag quota and sell them with a cap. Once they're gone. They're gone.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Mule deer are in bad shape. Anything to help.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I don't hunt over there. So I don't think anything I say would have any relevance.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	We have to have some sort of general season. Oregon has a rich hunting heritage and I would hate to see that go by the wayside. I hope that you (odfw) can find a happy balance between hunting opportunities and management.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#573]

Name David Fisher

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

A step in the right direction, but not enough

5% decrease will hardly be noticed by the elk. Our long seasons, starting with archery, is the main factor that is pushing elk onto private, where they are not hunted. I think we need to do some major changes to the seasons if we want to change the elk habits. They need to feel safer on public lands. Its not the roads on the forest that are the problem, most have been in place since the 70s. The thing that has changed is the amount of people hunting them for such a long duration. Yes, we have a lot of roads, but that's not the problem! Theres no roads in our wildernesses and roadless areas, but we have the same problems there, as soon as archery season starts they move down to private lands.

The private has always been there, but only in recent years have the elk been using it so heavily for protection, its a learned behavior from their mothers. We need to turn that around.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. Once again, a step in the right direction. But not nearly enough. WE need to get serious about managing our mule deer or the problem will just keep getting worse. The deer have been on the decline for about 25 years now. Its not that we don't have an ok buck to doe ratio, we just don't have any deer. How can we keep just selling unlimited deer tags to bow hunters, we are the only western state that does that, and coincidentally our deer are in the worst shape. We have got to start doing some deer management, that starts with predator control. We used to do that!

3. West Cascade elk (general any- Don't know

legal weapon
season): Move
season to
November OR
keep current
dates but
allow deer
hunting in
Cascades to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters can
pursue both
species at
same time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts) Drop tag numbers significantly for a few years, or all together for a few years. leave private land hunting in place. Stop the trend on the elk, The feed isn't better now on private land than it was 30 years ago, we simply have too much pressure for too looong.

Nick Myatt

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Name Terry Smock

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1. Needs to be a controlled draw, way to many people a field.

Archery
elk:
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Oregon.

2. Needs to be a controlled draw. Way to many people a field.

Archery
deer:
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from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. West All rifle seasons should run at the same time or overlap. Seasons are to strung out not giving animals a
Cascade break from pressure.

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weapon
season):
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time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Move more towards like Idaho, in that you if you apply for antelope, sheep and goat you can't apply for deer and elk and vice versa. This will limit the number of people afield, and allow better odds of drawing, also if you draw a deer or elk tag you should not be able to apply the following year. Seasons are stretched out to long not giving animals a break from human pressure. They run from August to February for elk. And then shed hunters are afield from then on another sport that should not be aloud until the middle of April to avoid stressing animals.

Bottom line, too many people, too much pressure and way too many predators .

Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I think this is a mistake. It will drive archers into 1 side of the state for the general season. Also if you are worried about the population why not limit the out of state tags ? Or yet why not let us use effective tools to help control the out of control predator population. I have been both a rifle and archery hunter for over 10 years. I can say that i have seen more animals killed with a rifle then a bow. Limiting tags wont help. It will lower hunter numbers or like i said previously it will drive more hunters into the west side of the state. Which will not only effect the hunting it will effect the game. Also it will cause hunters to have more problems with 1 another as well as the likelihood of accidents.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I think this is a mistake. It will drive archers into 1 side of the state for the general season. Also if you are worried about the population why not limit the out of state tags ? Or yet why not let us use effective tools to help control the out of control predator population. I have been both a rifle and archery hunter for over 10 years. I can say that i have seen more animals killed with a rifle then a bow. Limiting tags wont help. It will lower hunter numbers or like i said previously it will drive more hunters into the west side of the state. Which will not only effect the hunting it will effect the game. Also it will cause hunters to have more problems with 1 another as well as the likelihood of accidents.

Nick Myatt

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Name Ken Driessen

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. I kinda like this idea but would like to see this be able to be revisited in a couple years after inception. I think it would make it hard for the eastern hunters to build points for some of the more quality hunts. I would also like to see a trophy unit set up in southern oregon (keno???) where tag numbers are limited and the roads are closed kinda like sled springs. Deer hunters have to have an elk tag to hunt deer in there. I would think green diamond would be all for this type of system and there are some quality animals out there so in a few years there would be some real trophies getting harvested.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Once again I kinda like this but gonna make it tough for guys to build points. I also think in southern oregon we have a couple units that I really think you guys need to take a look at and manage them for quality animals instead of letting thousands of people go out and shoot every spike/forked horn from the window of there pickup. I also think in those said units you guys should do a 10 year study allowing sportsman to use hounds (resident only) to ease up on the amount of Bear and cougar. I think that would really help fawn survival in those units. I believe you could set up a draw system for this and have specific limits on how many predators are taken so they can be managed as well .For example after 10 female lions are killed the season is shut down. That would make the hound guys take extra time to make sure there harvesting mostly male. I also don't think you should allow any type of guiding in those units for predator's. I believe that after 10 years of limited tags and predator control you would have good data to hopefully expand to other units. I am totally on board with youth tags but you guy's need to stop it in the same units year after year!!! (Interstate) Move those hunts Yearly to other units like silver lake then fort rock then maybe klamath then back to interstate. that would help those mature bucks make sure they are doing the breeding and probably give the kids a more quality hunt.

3. West Cascade elk not sure on this due to me being an archery hunter

(general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

????? I think overall I personally would rather see more quality type hunts instead of opportunity. At least in a few more selected units. I have hunted Sled springs a few times and I can tell you that if you want to put the work in you can have a magical hunt in there and to me waiting a few years is worth it.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Bryan Ricks
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>The elk herds are pretty strong. I see no reason to limit opportunity. If certain units need a reduction in hunter numbers then a capped system may be appropriate.</p> <p>Draws are just a money grab. Sure it starts as every other year then next thing it's every 10.</p> <p>I'm not going to spend this much money and put in this much work if I cannot hunt every year. I will move to another state.</p> <p>Who cares how many hunters are in the field, success rates are low. And we will just flood western Oregon.</p> <p>Or quit hunting all together then you'll really be screaming for funding.</p>
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>Just make it 3 point or better.</p> <p>How many archers are really killing deer anyways?</p>
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	<p>Move it to November if you need increase harvest success.</p>
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<p>I've been buying points all these years no I hear you're going to close the 168m hunt I wanted.</p>

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#568]

Name April Mack

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I do not support changing eastern Oregon general to a controlled season. This is a short sighted and poorly formulated plan.

1. Hunter pressure will not be reduced, with 15600 tags it's possible some hunt areas will have MORE pressure than in the past.
2. Hunter recruitment is vital to continuing our hunter heritage and YOUR revenue source. If hunters are unable to draw and/or accrue points they will not continue to hunt and we will forever lose them and not only their license and tag dollars but their hunter positive vote.
3. Equity-If eastern Oregon is controlled, hunters who live on the east side of the state will have to decide whether or not they wish to hunt, accrue points (many who are already in "no mans land") or drive to the west side. All while west sides will still get to hunt their home territory (each year), accrue points and draw trophy units. Again - MORE pressure.
4. Point Creep will not resolve: See above.

A vote for controlled hunts in eastern Oregon for archery elk is a vote against hunting and the protection of the hunter heritage

2. Archery deer: change from general I do not support controlled deer archery tags. Instead consider habitat improvement (Juniper/invasive grass mitigation, thinning projects etc.), increased predator management (spring bear quota system, central Oregon spring bear tags etc.) and winter range protections. These considerations should be fully vetted before archery seasons are reduced.

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season in
eastern
Oregon.

Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Absolutely not, terrible idea
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No terrible idea
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Both bad ideas
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Leave things alone

Nick Myatt

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Name	Jason Dixson
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Don't do it. Focus on predator management instead.. it's all a garbage to bring in more revenue. There would Not be much change in the number of hunters but an additional cost to hunters with no better opportunity.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Don't do it. Focus on predator management instead.. it's all a garbage to bring in more revenue. There would Not be much change in the number of hunters but an additional cost to hunters with no better opportunity.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Change up premium hunts.. make them all draw tags and 10 or 20 tags for every unit. Cut rifle tags drastically if needed.. this would create more good hunting opportunity rather than poor opportunities for 99.999 percent of hunters

Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I think the potential side benefits of lessening points creep in the more sought after hunts will be very beneficial with this proposal. people having to decide if they want to hunt a formerly otc hunt or bank points for the next 20 years. I feel its worth suggesting that the benefit of distributing the hunting pressure and giving hunters a better hunting experience because of less pressure could be greatly improved if there are muzzleloader hunts added to every single hunt unit in the 200 series that has both a rifle and archery option. have this new muzzleloader season run the week after archery is over with. by doing so this will ease some of the complaints that people will have about less opportunity and having to wait many years to draw their former otc tag. perhaps offer spike/cow tags on a as well so people can still have an greater chance at drawing a tag. I feel strongly that if the decision to move eastern Oregon from otc to draw is done it needs to be done with the foresight of offering enough new draw options (muzzleloader and spike/cow hunts) so that people can distribute there points in a way that if a hunter wants to bull hunt a former OTC unit they can do so with as few as 2 or 3 points. if the points creep for these new units begins to increase beyond 3 i fear people will begin to look for other out of state options such as Idaho, Colorado, Wyoming and Montana.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. I would like to see early archery season draw hunts added to this list with start dates around middle of August. these could/would become very sought after tags and could spread out the points distribution in the 100 series.

3. West Cascade elk move this hunt timing to the week muzzleloader is ran and change the muzzleloader dates to the week after archery season.

(general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

I feel there should be more muzzleloader options made available. any unit that has both a rifle and archery draw option should also have a muzzleloader option. states like Washington and Colorado have a very popular muzzleloader hunting season. the benefit to this is giving people more options to allocate their points toward and distribute more hunters.

it would be a great source of revenue if oregon had multi season tags such as Washington giving the winners of the draw the option to hunt any otc hunt across the legal weaponry.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Jeremy DEPEW
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Keep it as a general and stop trying to take away seasons
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Keep it as a general and stop trying to take away seasons
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Yes if you keep the current season allow deer hunters to continue hunting the elk already have pressure would a deer hunters in the woods so what would it hurt
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	In the for post 2021 Western cascade deer season there's still a proposed closure but if you're moving elk season too early November why would there still be a closure for deer season and the any legal weapon season

Nick Myatt

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Name	Charles Mayes
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Finally! Now control the numbers in the units because I see fewer people at the mall on the day before Christmas than I do hunting in the Starkey. Maybe if you offered more black powder hunts the number of archery hunters would get lower.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Must draw a elk tag in order to obtain a archery deer tag.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Make it a draw or you will have a bigger problem than you have in eastern Oregon.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	How about offering a tax credit to land owners who give walk on permission for damage control hunts, offer more muzzle loader hunts and bring the muzzle loader regulations in line with the other states. How about offering tags to those that can prove that private land owners are using helicopters and planes to harass and chase the animals back onto private property for paid hunters.

Nick Myatt

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city of
residence

Email Toddvhill@gmail.com

1. Terrible idea. My vote is to pick your weapon before you apply.

Archery

elk:

change

from

general to

controlled

season in

eastern

Oregon.

2. Shut deer season down for 3-5 yrs. but I know you won't do that because loss of revenue.

Archery

deer:

change

from

general to

controlled

season in

eastern

Oregon.

3. **West** No comment

Cascade

elk
(general
any-legal
weapon
season):
Move
season to
November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Two things need to change. #1 Deer and elk are losing prime habitat. In central Oregon there building homes where places deer use to winter. Also there losing habitat in the National forest. With no clear cuts anymore there losing feed. Private timber companies are a perfect example. They clear cut and the deer population in those areas good. #2 predator management. wolves cougar and bear. 3 times as many cougar and bear since 96. And now we have wolves. I don't see how we can recover from this. This state is way to liberal to vote in hound hunting. And I don't see any other way to control the predators.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#561]

Name Robert Dewitt

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city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Rifle hunting enjoys a much higher success rate than stick and string with higher hunter numbers. Please don't place a deer/elk recovery effort on the backs of archery. Seems very unfair. Change needs to be across the board in this effort. Cut rifle tags and make hunters choose their weapon. This keeps those inexperienced archers out of the woods to some degree. Change dates on the archery season to the month of September to beat a potential fire season issue each year. Overhunting and predators are the issues. Cougars are through the roof out there! Archers are not the problem with elk numbers. Elk is all that archers have left to hunt. You may see a mass interest in rifle tags if you change archery to draw, further limiting rifle tags to those that hunt that way. It's the "easy button" of hunting.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. Deer have been on decline for many years. Surprised you are just now doing anything. You point to nutrition or disease as deer issues. Wrong track!! Each year I hunt archery. I put rifles in the safe 20 years ago and haven't looked back. Each year I see cougars out there. More and more...Any changes in seasons need to be shared across the board with archery and rifle hunting. Rifle has a much higher success rate each and every year but you put your recovery efforts on deer with 23% of hunters base?? Wrong track! Must be across the board. Predators and overhunting is your issues, not a few archers.

3. West Cascade elk I won't hunt west side for big game no matter what changes you make there.

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in
Cascades
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pursue
both
species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Limit rifle tags, open the woods up to dogs again to thin out the cougars. Wolves are now a major issue in many units. Need a wolf season NOW! Wolves played a major role in a hunt couple years back in Heppner unit. Chased a herd to use and we took a bull. While cleaning it, wolves were baying around us. Have talked to hunters where they were stalked by wolf in desolation. "You have a problem with wolves and cougars, not archers". You point to Heppner as a high success rate on archery bull elk. Its because for the most part thats all you allow us to hunt in that unit...and the unit gets the overflow of over the counter hunters when they dont draw rifle tags. Changes have to be across the board for rifle and archery!!!!

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#560]

Name	Mathew Myers
Current city of residence	Tygh valley
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Shitty idea Good idea!! Have hunters buy there tag they drew within 20 days of the draw. Then redraw the tags that didn't get picked up. Ridiculous our system is so screwed up.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same shitty idea You'll just drive people to west side Maybe a choose your weapon system would be better
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move to November so snow is to deep? Merge seasons or just leave it alone

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#559]

Name Brody Turner

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1. **Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.** I am 100% In favor of a controlled Archery elk season in eastern Oregon. With the evolution And popularity of archery hunting Growing every year it is very hard to have a un interrupted hunt any more, even in the back country. And more times that not it is a non local that has staked claim to a piece of public ground. I would much rather have quality hotspot less hunters than quantity hunts with more hunters. This will also allow most of our units to produce larger animals that will get to the Trophy class that I would like to see.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I'm also 100% in favor of a controlled archery season for deer in eastern Oregon. Our mule deer population has struggled for the last 25 years. Growing up watching deer and picking up a Sheds in eastern Oregon for the last 30 years and my father before me for the last 60 years we have seen the decline of our mule deer. I will not go into other details of why I think this is occurring, but I do fully believe that turning archery Deer into a controlled hunt would allow some bucks of what we still have in Eastern Oregon to grow to a larger caliber and have a better opportunity to reproduce a healthier deer heard.

Again I'm willing to have fewer high-quality archery deer hunts rather than quantity with more hunters.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#558]

1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

This is another example of odfw managing for money and not for the wildlife. Instead of looking at predator control which would bring zero money in your looking to get more draw fees. With a continuing decline in younger generations hunting participation you need to find more money. If and its a big if there is truly a decline in overall animals lets close all hunting for two years and help animals rebound and give odfw a birds eye view of whats to come for loss of hunting revenue in the future with no hunter tag and liscense fees. Start looking at facts. And quit attacking your hunting population for more money.

2. See above applies here too.

Archery
deer:
change
from
general
to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#557]

Name	Jason Boyce
Current city of residence	Molalla
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No reason to do this.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No reason to do this
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I would keep it the way it is

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#556]

Name	Bobby Walker
Current city of residence	LaGrande
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes rifle hunters have had to choose there hunt and specific unit for sometime now. Its time the archery hunters to do the same. I think this could also help the point creep in the more desirable units
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes, same as above
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No, I think the elk will be to easy to kill late when snow may come early.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	I wish there was someway to force more ethical hunting. Long range shooting include archery (this is not hunting) and wounding animals. If you wound and lose your done! Caliber restrictions, optics, releases ect.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Zack Wilson
Current city of residence	Umatilla
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No, general is good for archery to help keep more peopme in the mountains and kill cougats and bears and coyotes to help preserve the wildlife.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Yes keep same
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	No

Nick Myatt

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Current city of residence	canyom

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#553]

Name	Keith Hughes
Current city of residence	Baker City
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Make it choose a region you can draw as second choice to try out for a few years to see how it works. Make it unlimited.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I don't know what the answer here is. But I do know predator problems are out of control since 1994 that cannot be ignored. We need a better predator management system. The current model is not working. Fact of the matter is deer and elk are what people eat And Hunt most but take a back burner to predators because of the current model and it isn't working.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No comment
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Again, for what ever reason predator management is being ignored. Fact is it cannot be ignored anymore if we want to have a sustainable, huntable population of deer and elk in the future. Our state has the capability to be one of the best, and heavily populated deer and elk state in the western United States. In 1994 this changed and cannot be ignored anymore something needs to be done we need to be proactive it's been 26 years in the model we have is not working. It's in the data we have it's clear and now we need to do something about it

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#552]

Name	Jeremy Smock
Current city of residence	Baker city
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Terrible idea, we need predator control out here in the worst way.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	If we plan on having any mule deer left we need a serious look at how our predators are being managed. We have to bring hound hunting back before it's too late. Oregon was once a great state for deer hunting. And it can be again.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Both at the same time. Easy on vacation
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	If you do want to help deer out. Please go to 3 point or better on the east side. Let these little bucks grow up. Also. Start thinning predators out. I can stress this enough

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#551]

Name Dillon Mitchell

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city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Do you guys honestly care about anyone's feed back? You have a plan already. Bet you will carry through with it no matter what. Too bad you wont focus on wolves and cougars!

Leave the archery season to general! Nobody limits on how many people can be on a lake fishing, yet you are wanting to put a limit to the number of archery hunters. You know the real reasons why the population of elk and deer went down its because of you guys! Do your part and fight to get cougars and wolves controlled! Also rumor is truck loads of elk being shipped out of Oregon. Kind of sounds familiar about big horn sheep in the owyhee? Charge more limit more is all you have in sight

2. Leave archery to general.

Archery
deer:
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from
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to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Josh Moody
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

archery hunters accounted for less than 8000 animals killed from herds across the state in 2019. Rifle hunters accounted for nearly 40,000 from herds. Archery success rates of bull and buck combined are a mere 13%, whereas rifle is 24% for the same demographic.
Controlled hunts for archery is not the answer in my opinion

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Controlled hunts for archery is not the answer in my opinion

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

Keep current dates but allow deer hunting

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#549]

Name Ryan Hosek

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

This has been a negative in my opinion. I haven't drawn a tag in years. I grew up in eastern Oregon and I have hunt there my entire life. I think your science is flawed in it's accuracy! The declines you have attributed to archery is wrong. The declines are directly linked to the removal of cougar hunting with dogs and also the introduction of wolves. If you are truly interested in us the hunters, bring back hunting with dogs. The cougar over population is easy to see. They are in our towns. limit the wolf population. The wolf that was brought in is much larger than that of the wolf that was here originally. It is also spreading disease through fecal matter. If you want to improve populations, you need to address the real issues. It isn't the hunters. I hunt every year. If I don't have a tag, I often will go camp with friends that do hunt just to spend time in the outdoors. I am confident it isn't hunting pressure. You have a serious predator problem that is being swept under the rug!!!

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

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3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): This is a terrible idea. this will lead to too many hunters in the woods at the same time. I can't stress how bad this idea is!!!

Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

You need to look at what the real problem is (Predators). I have never been so disappointed in hunt quality as I have the last few years under general season tags. I have hunted in the Heppner units the last few times I have elk hunt. This is a hunt I grew up on long before I was old enough to hunt, I was in the woods with my dad as he would hunt. We would see elk all the time. It was always a great unit. our party would always get a couple elk. Not anymore and it isn't because of too many hunters. I have seen wolves and cougars in the Heppner unit. I actually saw more cougars and wolves than I

saw elk last year. The last issue you need to address is our elk on private land. ODFW need to move these huge herds from private land. They move onto private land for safety from predators because they know the farmers won't tolerate wolf or cougar attacks. My daughter and I sat on a road a watched 250 head of elk sit on private property for hours the day before hunting season. The elk remained on the property the whole spike rifle season. I took her to one of my favorite places to walk in the wood. I takes you to the top of a mountain that overlooks a huge farm. We sat and watched "hunters" walk up a huge elk herd and pick the elk they want and shoot them. it was more like grocery shopping than hunting. ODFW needs to fly over these ranches and move the elk off of them. those animals are state property, but if I want to harvest one, I have to pay a kings ransom that I don't have. It isn't fair that the rich are the only ones that have a chance at these animals. This happens all over the state and it needs to be addressed.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#548]

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city of
residence

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1. Keep as general season for those units meeting management numbers, controlled for those units with elk
Archery numbers not meeting management goals.

elk:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

2. Archery deer has become a huge challenge due to their low numbers. Keeping it general season will provide
Archery ODFW with higher revenues from tag and controlled hunt applications. Changing to controlled hunts in
deer: units with lower herd numbers make sense in the recovery of deer populations. Archery success
change percentages aren't high enough to cause problems. I hunt with a party of 5 and NONE of us has tagged a
from deer in our areas in a five years. Not because we can't, but because we haven't seen any!

general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. **West** Most hunters work for a living. Taking time off for two separate seasons is an issue. Combining them on the
Cascade calendar promotes higher participation, more tag sales.

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any-legal
weapon
season):
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species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Managing units based upon deer and elk population goals is a good tool.

Failing to manage predators while limiting hunter access is poor management.

Hunters don't like paying for RV's, hunting equipment, licenses, tags and controlled hunt applications only to be "unsuccessful" because cougars, bears, coyotes and wolves have decimated herds.

ALSO: Rather than paying professionals to shoot predators from helicopters, why not sell some tags that allow dogs?

Why not sell some wolf tags in areas where livestock predation has become expensive for taxpayers? This is a revenue source for ODFW that is being accomplished the opposite of what makes good business sense.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#547]

Name Abigail Webster

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Do not agree. There is a healthy amount of elk around eastern Oregon. If numbers are a concern, maybe first allow hound hunting for cougars. Predator control. Or, make the season shorter like Washington does (2 weeks)

There's got to be a way Eastern Oregon can still be OTC. I feel like if it's draw, the coast is going to get hammered with people.

Also, My husband has been hunting heppner for years. He has 12 elk points, saving up for Mt Emily. Now, his favorite unit he's being going with all of his friends in their 40's-50's

Will cost points? Probably never hunt heppner again for 15 years after he draws Mt Emily. To be honest, his hunting crew have only show 1 or 2 elk with a bow in the last 7 years.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. I have to agree that mule deer counts are down and I would be okay with this change until counts are back up. Again, Predators are a huge problem. Something needs to be done about them. When I shed hunt even Central Oregon , I see a lot of fresh cougar kills. It's a massacre out there. When will cougar hunting with dogs be allowed? It would be interesting to see if that could help!

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to I would say move it. What I liked about hunting Washington when I lived there was that archery elk started first week of September, muzzleloader was next (during rut), rifle after (in November). Makes sense! Plus being able to pursue both species is great.

November OR

keep current

dates but

allow deer

hunting in

Cascades to

continue

during elk

season so

hunters can

pursue both

species at

same time.

4. Other

Why isn't there a spring bear tag in the Metolius unit? There are so many bears!

changes being

considered

(incl. tag

numbers/hunt

tables for

specific

hunts)

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#546]

Name	Greg Cole
Current city of residence	La Pine
Email	ruger367370@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	“Don’t fix what’s not broken.” ... We’ve all heard this before. It’s not something that’s said because it sounds cool, it’s said because data and history prove it’s the right thing to do. Elk numbers are good almost everywhere. Let’s leave this one alone. You have done a good job with managing them so far. Let’s keep this one how it currently is.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Sure, let’s try something new on this one. I don’t like that I won’t be able to hunt multiple units any more, but the deer numbers do not support keeping things like they are. I would honestly prefer to see a “OTC quota” instead of a draw, (First come first serve per unit) as this would enhance accuracy in managing deer numbers.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move it to November. This will eventually help increase numbers, herd size will grow.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Increase the number of units available for archery antelope. The inequity of this hunt is very evident. Even if you reduce the rifle tags given by just a few and create an archery opportunity using those tags it would, at least, look more equitable. It would also potentially begin to reduce point creep by giving the current point holders other options to look at. I remember when Juniper had an archery season. I hunted it and had a blast! Please consider giving us a nugget or two. Just taking this away doesn’t feel good. Thank You

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#545]

Name	Mark Carpenter
Current city of residence	Ontario
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I feel as both an archery and rifle hunter that there is no need to change the current archery tags in Eastern Oregon. Even though there are more people archery hunting the success rate is still low. I would suggest limiting the number of over counter archery tags in the most hunted units. I also feel that out of state archery tags should be limited.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I feel the same way about the archery deer tags as I stated above about the archery elk tags.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#544]

Name	Brian Buxton
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

absolutely not...just another way to generate revenue and not address the problem. Predators and poaching are driving the low numbers, not the overall success of general season archery hunters. The ability to move from unit to unit is one of the best parts of the archery season, especially for elk and the rut.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

again, absolutely not...just another way to generate revenue and not address the problem. Predators and poaching are driving the low numbers, not the overall success of general season archery hunters.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#543]

Name	Alec Scobert
Current city of residence	Powell butte
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Absolute trash of an idea. If you want to limit the numbers of animals to be taken don't allow rifle hunters to apply for rifle tags not receive them and then jump into the OTC Archery tags.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Being back better predator management and allow hounds back into the equation to help regulate the cougar populations.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#542]

Name Ryan Wilson

Current Tigard
city of
residence

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1. Absolutely not.

Archery Archery hunting is not this reason for the decline in numbers. If you're concerned about crowding forcing
elk: everyone on to the coast for general season will make the crowding problem so much worse.

change Taking more opportunity away from hunters is not the solution.

from

general to

controlled

season in

eastern

Oregon.

2. No.

Archery Archery hunting isn't the issue with the decline in numbers.

deer:

change

from

general to

controlled

season in

eastern

Oregon.

3. **West** Move to November

Cascade

elk Neither of these options solves the extreme overcrowding problem on the coast during rifle season.
(general Everyone is confined to a small area because of private land and an extremely short season.
any-legal
weapon
season):
Move
season to
November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Incentive predator control. From your own studies on cougars they take on average 1 ungulate a week. With our current estimated population of 6500 cougars that's 338,000 animals. That's not including wolf, coyote and bear kills as well.

Forest management. Spraying insecticides and weed killer on logging lands and public lands poisons the animals. More controlled burns to help forest regeneration.

Visible antler hunts need to go. Animals aren't allowed to mature. Young and weak animals are the main target of

predators. If you add in hunting pressure on young bucks/bulls the populations will struggle to repopulate.

Partner up with game management from other states with more successful game management programs, I.E. Idaho, Wyoming, Montana. Look at there objectives, management to boost numbers.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#541]

Name	Dale Mode
Current city of residence	Grand ronde
Email	cougar25_1973@yahoo.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	One of the worst ideas ive herd of all u want is money for application cut riffle tags
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Terrible idea all u want is permit money for putting in cut riffle tags
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep it the way it is always worked and gives the option of a hunt in oct

Nick Myatt

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Name	Steven Sands
Current city of residence	White City
Email	stevensands33@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	This will just cause added pressure to the west side. With already low success rates of archery. It won't make Easter Oregon better it will just make the western side worse. There are already archery draws for the best units. Rifle hunters make up a majority of the hunting populace but one could argue on average are worse hunters. They complain archery puts to much pressure and that is contributing their lack of success. In reality there skill, commitment and planning are the major deciding factors.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	This will just cause added pressure to the west side. With already low success rates of archery. It won't make Easter Oregon better it will just make the western side worse. There are already archery draws for the best units. Rifle hunters make up a majority of the hunting populace but one could argue on average are worse hunters. They complain archery puts to much pressure and that is contributing their lack of success. In reality there skill, commitment and planning are the major deciding factors
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Now this is a good change. Either way do not make them stop deer hunting for a week. So much of that rifle season is weather dependent and at times that season is closed when the weather is favorable. The legal spike option is bad. To many road hunters will be rewarded for their lack of effort.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Interesting data to look at.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#539]

Name	David Huffman
Current city of residence	Cove
Email	minamrivercontractors@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Great idea will help point creep and allow people to have a better hunt while still allowing people to hunt every year.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	great idea our deer our hurting and you guys need to find ways to help them. this will allow you to mange every unit. also every elk bow hunter has a deer tag and shoot the first forked horn standing along the road.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	no comment

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#538]

Name	Kyle McKee
Current city of residence	Bend
Email	kmckee@10barrel.com

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Upper Deschutes has a count of 440 deer as of the last numbers listed on the ODFW website, yet there are 2300+ tags given out. This is a huge out of balance. I imagine there are other units in the same boat and we should look at overall tag numbers in general for reduction. At least until numbers come back.

Also, we need a way to help control predators better. Specifically lions. I see more and more lion sign in the Upper Deschutes every year. Both actual cat sign and kills.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#531]

Name	Dusty Ditmore
Current city of residence	Culver
Email	dditmore76@gmail.com
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Need to give all licensed hunters a free cougar tag for the next few years. I won't waste money on a cougar tag but if I had a free tag and saw a cougar while deer or elk hunting I would fill that tag for sure.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#536]

Name Ken Mccullough

Current city of residence Boardman

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I don't like the idea, I now don't draw my rifle tag and I archery hunt until my party are all ready with required points to draw our rifle tags. It's nice to have an opportunity to general bow hunt and be able to collect preference points towards rifle. The rifle hunts are getting ridiculous to draw. I just want to have the chance to hunt for big game every year. Limit the LOP tags and change out of state numbers please put Oregon residents and fair chase hunting first. The large land owners and outfitters are the ones slaughtering the elk I feel their excessive tag numbers and preferences need to change

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Same as above for elk. I hunt desolation there hardly any deer left. See cats on a regular basis and wolfs? These predators need to be taken out. Hound hunting should start back up to co trol the predator population. Also seeing more and more whitetail deer, if I see any at all, deer numbers have fallen drastically, I think this needs corrected, maybe a 3 point or better rule? Let the little guys grow up and breed, stop all the road hunters that kill every spike and forked horn on the mountain opening day of rifle season. It's ridiculous in my opinion. There used to be deer now they are very few and far between. Elk mare strong, sad seeing wolfs and bears chasing calf's. Also it's not normal not see cats almost every time I go up (which is a lot I have a cabin up there). Open up dog hunting and please do something about these stupid wolfs, we will shortly have no big game. Consider eastern Oregon residents opinions not the liberal left western side to make decisions that effect the eastern Oregon residents. Let them wade i. There own cesspool in the city and keep there ways, thoughts and wishes on there own damn side of the state. I think if you live west of the Dalles you should have to draw for eastern Oregon hunt and eastern Oregon residents should have preference over western residents.

4. Other Kill every wolf in this state

changes being Open up hound hunting for cats and bears

considered Leave eastern Oregon archery alone for eastern Oregon residents

(incl. tag Consider 3 point or better in some eastern units that have next to no deer left (kill the predators) let us

numbers/hunt do it don't contract it out to a select few people (that bias

tables for

specific

hunts)

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#535]

Name	Adam Irinaga
Current city of residence	North Plains
Email	airinaga10@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Absolutely not, this is taking away the freedom that hunters have had for decades.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Again, No. This completely strips the hunter of their ability to hunt new areas and keep learning about their habitats. If you're confined to controlled hunting you're going to focus on a specific area.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep existing dates and hunt both game animals.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#534]

Name	Shannon erickson
Current city of residence	klamath falls
Email	shannon.erickson@edstaub.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>Bad idea.</p> <p>I believe this will cause less people to hunt.</p> <p>Also lowering hunter recruitment.</p> <p>Most people that archery hunt after not drawing a rifle tag would not be hunting at all. Thus nit supporting the outdoor industry.</p>

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#533]

Name Dilan Martin

Current Winston
city of
residence

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1. My concern with this is a few things. I have never hunted eastern oregon for elk. But with fire danger always being a challenge for archery it is nice to know that if the West side shuts down that we can hunt some areas in eastern Oregon that aren't as affected by fire danger. Also I feel like this could concentrate hunters and put a bigger strain on the animals during their breeding season.

Archery
elk:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

2. Much of the same as my answer for elk. But I think mule deer hunters would see improvement in hunting because of less dense hunter concentration in certain areas.

Archery
deer:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. **West** I like this one it would allow elk to breed on a second estrous cycle with out rifle hunting pressure.
Cascade

elk
(general
any-legal
weapon
season):
Move
season to
November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

I think the real issue with archery season is start date. If we started season the 1st of September every year and ended the last day of September this would allow fire danger levels to decrease. This would allow timber companies to allow more access for bowhunters. Also changing the draw pool to 90% tags allocated to the people with the amount of points to draw and a 10% random lotto would help with point creep. I would like to see people have to obtain a archery card to be able to hunt during archery. Just a simple test with a range day ethical shot placements similar to a hunters safety course. Just my two cents. Thank you for your time.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Kyle McKee
Current city of residence	Bend, Oregon
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I would still like to see the controlled tag area be for all of Eastern Oregon. Being able to hunt many different units in a season is a big reason why I archery hunt in the first place. Also, if we make the archery a controlled season, then why not follow what ID does and allow unsuccessful archers to continue to hunt with a rifle tag as well.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I would still like to see the controlled tag area be for all of Eastern Oregon. Being able to hunt many different units in a season is a big reason why I archery hunt in the first place. Also, if we make the archery a controlled season, then why not follow what ID does and allow unsuccessful archers to continue to hunt with a rifle tag as well.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Also, the number of tags given out for rifle in some units (Upper Deschutes) for the buck deer season, seems excessive given the low number of deer that are being counted over the last few years. Reducing that tag allotment would help as well.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Suzanne Seida
Current city of residence	Sherwood
Email	windyridge2@aol.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I believe it should be left alone. That is one of the only things that people can depend on for hunting and vacations. It is an affordable option for groups and multi generational families I think it would be a financial mistake to alter it....as future revenue streams will be diminished
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I believe for the same reasons above it should be left as is

Nick Myatt

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Name	Bill Wilson
Current city of residence	ALBANY
Email	hogwild32@comcast.net
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes but maybe allow general hunts in only the exact same units rifle hunters can buy a general season spike tag. Going controlled only helps IF there are actual lower tag numbers.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Neither. Moving the hunt to November will only result in more elk being killed in areas that the elk population is already low. If you allow deer hunting during elk season you might as well allow party hunting because that is exactly what will happen.

Nick Myatt

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Name	marvin mcclendon
Current city of residence	lapine
Email	willardgw@aol.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	please make it a draw. in please get rid of the draw archery cow tag in ukiah unit.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	outstanding idea
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	move to nov
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	go back to forked horn or better on west side. then make it forked horn or better on east side. spikes should b able to live 4 another yr.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Carolyn Lorimor
Current city of residence	LaPine
Email	bendcat88@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Please require choosing between rifle and archery seasons to prevent people from buying bows when they don't draw a rifle tag. I am shocked how often I hear people do this and think they can become proficient enough to make clean, ethical shots with 3-4 weeks of owning a bow. My family shoots for months before season (if not year round) to make sure we honor best for that clean, ethical.shot.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Please require choosing between rifle and archery seasons to prevent people from buying bows when they don't draw a rifle tag. I am shocked how often I hear people do this and think they can become proficient enough to make clean, ethical shots with 3-4 weeks of owning a bow. My family shoots for months before season (if not year round) to make sure we honor best for that clean, ethical.shot
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Please require choosing between rifle and archery seasons to prevent people from buying bows when they don't draw a rifle tag. I am shocked how often I hear people do this and think they can become proficient enough to make clean, ethical shots with 3-4 weeks of owning a bow. My family shoots for months before season (if not year round) to make sure we honor best for that clean, ethical.shot
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Please require choosing between rifle and archery seasons to prevent people from buying bows when they don't draw a rifle tag. I am shocked how often I hear people do this and think they can become proficient enough to make clean, ethical shots with 3-4 weeks of owning a bow. My family shoots for months before season (if not year round) to make sure we honor best for that clean, ethical.shot

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#525]

Name	Keith Wolford
Current city of residence	La Grande
Email	keithunts@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I really don't want this. I strongly believe that predator numbers are too high. The habitat hasn't changed hardly at all in the last 40 years but predator numbers have. Bring back hound hunting and get rid of the wolves please!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I really don't want this. I strongly believe that predator numbers are too high. The habitat hasn't changed hardly at all in the last 40 years but predator numbers have. Bring back hound hunting and get rid of the wolves please!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Leave it alone.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Please reduce predators!

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#524]

Name	Josh Haley
Current city of residence	Cove
Email	hrbarnsllc@hotmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>I do not support this proposal. The elk herds are at , near, or above management levels. This proposal will do very little to effect the herds. Perhaps look at the success rates of archery hunters?</p> <p>As well , this will hurt the local eastern Oregon hunters that rely on this meat. With being a 15 preference point holder, this proposal will not allow me to elk hunt until after I draw the tag I am currently seeking.</p> <p>I do not support this</p>
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	<p>I do not support this proposal. With acknowledging the deer number being low, this is not the correct course of action. Predators and poachers should be you number one concern. Odfw needs to have more control in predator management. The increase bear tags will help in this however we need to be able to have way more control of cougars. When was the last time we hit a cougar quota? What is going to be done about the wolves? Manage the predators first.</p> <p>I do not support this proposal</p>
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	<p>I do not hunt this part of the state. I should have no say in this. This proposal should be for the locals to answer</p>
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	<p>We need better predator management</p>

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#523]

Name	Christopher Mills
Current city of residence	Bend
Email	christopherjmills@hotmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No. Leave as general but limit the amount of tags available in the units well below management levels. Also, group units together. Going to a draw is not only unfair and against what ODFW is tasked with doing, it will make other places in the state worse off.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No. Leave as general but limit the amount of tags available in the units well below management levels. Also, group units together. Going to a draw is not only unfair and against what ODFW is tasked with doing, it will make other places in the state worse off.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Allow hunters to tag either elk or deer at the same time.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Learn to control predators, offer up more education, close areas to all hunting if well below management levels for 1-3 years, keep Eastern Oregon General Archery non draw but change to limited tags especially in the hard hit areas.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#522]

Name Jacob Morris

Current city of residence Tigard

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Let's review other ways to help elk numbers in eastern Oregon. There's no study that shows elk are being over hunted. Your power point presentation actually showed no correlation between # of hunters and decrease in elk populations. Let's stop hiding the truth and let the public know what population of predators are and how that effects calving survival. I think heppner is a great example. Why don't we share this with hunters and general public? Also, look at this from a hunters perspective. For example, if you have been archery hunting the past 15 years and saving for wenaha. Now you're asking me to not hunt where I grew up until I draw wenaha? That 15+ years that I will be sidelined before I can hunt.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. I reviewed your slideshow multiple times and never show a graph or statistic showing reducing deer archery tags is going to improve sweet numbers. Again, let's look at the problem, it's not hunters! Let's see some harvest statistics on archery deer. We all know that archery hunters don't move the needle. Again, how about predator management? We all know the populations have been in decline since hound hunting went away.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for Post the surveys that were sent out! I would love to see how questions were worded.

specific
hunts)

Nick Myatt

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Name	Amanda Harris
Current city of residence	Echo
Email	amandaharris64@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Yes

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#520]

Name	Dennis Bailey
Current city of residence	Klamath Falls
Email	bigweasel1@charter.net
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Specific units only..... west Murderers Creek, for instance. Do NOT force elk hunters to choose rifle or bow
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Not needed for deer
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Allow deer hunting to continue
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Move bow season back one week to begin Labor Day weekend and end last day of September. Move deer season opener back to one week after bow ends and continue for 12 days. Increase deer tags to 150 in North Warner Unit

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#519]

Name	Mark Dudley
Current city of residence	Nyssa
Email	mark.l.dudley80@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	My family depend a lot on the meat we harvest from hunts. We already do not draw out a hole lot with rifle. It is nice to know archery is general so we have a chance at some meat.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	My family depend a lot on the meat we harvest from hunts. We already do not draw out a hole lot with rifle. It is nice to know archery is general so we have a chance at some meat.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#518]

Name	Lonnie Bagwell
Current city of residence	Springfield
Email	lonniebagwell3@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I do not think this should happen. The biggest problem that's happened , I've seen by hunting my entire life over there. Ever since not being able to hunt with dogs , the population of elk and deer has dramatically declined. But you guys don't seem to see it that way. Then you bring another predator , wolf and we get punished for the decline. When I know for a fact I've watched this slowly decline every single year.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I do not think this should happen. The biggest problem that's happened , I've seen by hunting my entire life over there. Ever since not being able to hunt with dogs , the population of elk and deer has dramatically declined. But you guys don't seem to see it that way. Then you bring another predator , wolf and we get punished for the decline. When I know for a fact I've watched this slowly decline every single year.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Well I don't think it should be any weapon if your going to have both species available. There is a lot of poachers out there that ruin stuff for all of us honest hunters.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Only change you should make here is allow dogs again for bear and cougars. Predator control!! Biggest problem

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#517]

Name	Daniel Hayden
Current city of residence	Klamath falls
Email	jakehayden13@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	You will be once again taking away opportunities for hunters. Our hunter numbers are down as is!! We as a state and a nation need hunters!!! Make people pick there weapon...you cant buy an archery tag if you apply for a rifle tag! Overcrowding is only a cop out for people that need an excuse to why they cant hunt. We need sound management and this is not the answer. Elk are plentiful.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I dont even know what to say about our deer herds. I could go on and on but there is no more deer!!!! Please do something!!!
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I say keep current dates. If it's not broke do not fix.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Please consider moving our current draw system to earlier in the year. Do away with alot of these B.S landowner cow and doe tags. Make the draw simple so it doesnt take a month for draw results.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#516]

Name	Todd Hoyle
Current city of residence	Sutherlin
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	This change would just cause more hunters to crowd different areas causing further problems in other parts of the state. If the #'s are in decline how do we protect our cows and calf population and maintain a healthy bull ratio? Maybe make units 3pt or better. Also need to look into how to manage our predator population better if it's not with dogs how do we get more people hunting predators, and being successful?
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Again think this would just add pressure to other areas causing more problems. And need to protect doe and fawn populations and maintain a healthy buck population. Maybe forkedhorn or better? Also need to look into our predator population. How do we get people hunting predators and being successful?
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move to November and make it 3pt or better unless you are youth or disabled...
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Limited entry big bull tags in tioga unit and add spike only hunts more like mount emily or wenaha units... We need some sort of predator control!!!!

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#515]

Name	Dusty Ditmore
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	About time!!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	About time!!
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Some changes in LOP tags need to be addressed as well. Wildlife is for all people of our state. LOP tag numbers are too high and need reduced.

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#514]

Name	Greg Givens
Current city of residence	La Grande
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No no no!!!!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No no no !!!

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#513]

Name Russell Preston

Current Klamath Falls
city of
residence

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1. Keep it otc. Just simply limit the number of tags sold per unit.

Archery

elk:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

2. Same here. Limit the number of tags sold. When they are gone they are gone.

Archery

deer:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. **West** Move season

Cascade

elk
(general
any-legal
weapon
season):
Move
season to
November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Ok this is one I really want to see! YOUTH HUNTERS ARE OUR FUTURE!!! Start spreading Pronghorn tags around. Offer 2 in Warner, 2 in Juniper, 2 west Beatty, and so on. We are not low on numbers of Antelope. These 2 tags per unit would be a fantastic addition. Get these kids hunting. If we get kids in the outdoors with more hunting opportunities, they will stay in the outdoors.

We as a state have the animals to support this. I have spent 100s of hours in these units. We are not lacking the resource. 2 more allocated tags for youth hunters in these various units would be what's best for the future of sound conservation in the long run. KEEP EM INVOLVED. WE ARE LOOSING THE YOUTH!!!

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#512]

Name	Jake Hatley
Current city of residence	Summerville
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No. How about open cow hunts in starky unit for general archery. One less bull killed and one less cow causing damage to the farmers in the valley.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	There is no deer. Until we manage predators again there will be no deer.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	How come predators are never mentioned by ODFW?

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#511]

1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I think making eastern Oregon a controlled season,wouldn't be a wise idea.It wouldn't be fair for eastern Oregon residents. Western Oregon archery season would be overcrowded.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Same as above.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#510]

Name	Ben Mode
Current city of residence	Prineville
Email	benmode14@yahoo.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	A draw has been long over due!
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Deer numbers in eastern Oregon are terrible and more than just a archery draw is needed to help them out!
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	We need to bring back dog hunting for cougars to help correct our big game numbers, we have more than a little problem with them when in certain areas you see more sign of them than deer!!!

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#509]

Name Rich DeSantis

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city of
residence

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1. Why does everything have to be a draw? Just let people buy a tag and go hunt. Limiting people's access to hunt one area doesn't fix a problem, it simply shifts it to another area and creates one there.

Archery
elk:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

2. Why does everything have to be a draw? Just let people buy a tag and go hunt. Limiting people's access to hunt one area doesn't fix the problem, it simply shifts it to another area and creates one there.

Archery
deer:
change
from
general to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

3. **West** Sounds like a good idea.
Cascade

elk
(general
any-legal
weapon
season):
Move
season to
November
OR keep
current
dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

I'm ok with tag numbers going up or down if it's based off science and data and not revenue. If you want to fix deer and elk numbers, fix the predator problem. I work in the woods on the Siuslaw NF, have for 17 years... Every weekday. I am fifth generation to the Florence, Mapleton area, growing up in Indian Creek. I had never seen a cougar until about ten years ago and I've been running game cameras since 2005 and rarely got one on cam. Now I've seen a dozen. Got stalked by one a couple years ago while spring Blackbear hunting, got stalked by one at work in the woods, get them on my camera constantly and find kills regularly. You will not fix the problem until you bring back dogs to hunt cats and bait to hunt bears.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#508]

Name	Lisa Petrini
Current city of residence	Jackson
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No, I don't like having to draw tags. I hunt with a group of women and we love hunting together.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Again we are bow hunters and it's already hard enough finding time to get out and away to hunt. Leave it general.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I think this will only make elk hunting harder

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#507]

Name	Gregg Harvey
Current city of residence	CoosBay
Email	harvsgonehunting@hotmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Absolutely not. Leave it how it is now.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Absolutely not. Leave it how it is now.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move this hunt to November

Nick Myatt

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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#506]

1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. If you change it will it put more hunting pressure in western Oregon? I understand why it needs to be done.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. Agree.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time. November would be better.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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To: Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us
Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#505]

Name Dekker Smith

Current city of residence Baker City

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

In general no. If you were to mess with the already good system that is advantageous for all hunters, controlled hunts should only be applied to those units that have issues with hunter density and population (like mt Emily). General archery gives me the chance to hunt yearly on my side of the state regardless of my controlled hunt status for rifle season. If taken away, my ability to hunt yearly gets taken away. You cannot promise me consistency in drawing tags in the units I hunt. That will push me to Idaho and out of state hunting rather than traveling with in Oregon to hunt. Don't take away my opportunity to consistently provide for my family.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. Sited was the decline of mule deer populations. Hopefully predator populations have been cross referenced for the same time frame as to some (some not all) of the reasoning. Time to open up predator hunting and bring back hunting with dogs. For eastern Oregon wolves have also exponentially grown in population with poor, hand cuffed management techniques. Activists and legislators anthropomorphize wolves and therefore poor management and other populations suffer. Have all other methods been employed to protect deer populations? Do not change to controlled hunt.

3. West No comment

Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current

dates but
allow deer
hunting in
Cascades to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters can
pursue both
species at
same time.

4. Other No comment
changes being
considered
(incl. tag
numbers/hunt
tables for
specific
hunts)

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#504]

Name Cody Pepper

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1. **Archery elk:** I am in support of controlled units and am an avid archer. However, I am not in support of any unit being a controlled archery unit that has a general rifle season... general rifle should be reflective and reduced to the same smaller areas – that only makes sense for sustainability.

change

from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. Secondly, I am in support of this overhaul so long as it remains that Oregon can you do not burn your preference points with drawing of your second choice.

2. **Archery deer:** Supportive.

change

from

general to

controlled

season in

eastern

Oregon.

3. **West Cascade** No comment

elk
(general
any–legal
weapon
season):
Move
season to
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dates but
allow
deer
hunting
in
Cascades
to
continue
during elk
season so
hunters
can
pursue
both
species at
same
time.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

The common theme is that all the new archery hunts should be any bull only. “Any Elk” hunts should not be created in this overhaul. Please keep all new archery hunts to any bull only and increase those numbers while reducing the any elk numbers. If the goal is to appease rifle hunters then the cow hunting can be held there. It makes no sense to be creating new units that cows are taken with a bow. If you were to survey archers such as myself, and ask their preference to reduce the take of “any elk” vs having a slight increase of “any bull” tags allocated I strongly believe they would prefer the slight increase for bull tags. Your strongest voiced archers are out to kill bulls and we only take cows as a last resort – I believe we would sacrifice filling the freezer with a cow for the opportunity of slightly higher “any

bull” tag allocation.

Here is an example hunt that is proposed similar to my thoughts that again does not make sense... The new archery East Cascade Elk 234-1 and 234-2:

Currently, Deschutes and Fort Rock west of 97 are Bull only archery tags without the ability to take a cow. The new proposed hunts allow two different hunts, on which one includes the legal take of “any elk”. I do not support allowing cow to be taken in this area by archery and would encourage to remove Hunt 234-2 and increase the tag allocation for 234-1. The only downside to this is those that currently archery hunt any elk in Metolius (Unit 77) would lose that opportunity with the proposed consolidation of this unit. However, I believe that is a very small subset of hunters as this tag currently has minimal interest and I believe the current tag is even drawn with 2nd choice.

Again, please increase the “any bull” tags for all controlled archery hunts, decrease the “any elk” tags for all archery hunts, and take a close look at the newly proposed East Cascades Archery hunts and compare to current strategy... cows should be allowed to thrive here and grow the herd (All not to mention the creep of the wolves that are already in the Fort Rock Unit and beginning signs of them encroaching into Deschutes)

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#503]

Name	Carson McVay
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I don't think that making archery a controlled hunt is the way. I think that if we make the person pick a weapon for that year would lesson the number of tags that are purchased for archery. I know lots of people that want to riffle hunt but don't draw. Then just buy a archery tag just before season. With no practice will go out and just wound animals. Because they didn't take the time to practice. Some of the bigger units in archery i could see making them a draw like Starkey, Ukiah and Heppner.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I know units in eastern oregon for riffle that have 2000 plus tags that have almost a 50% success rate. Why not lesson some riffle tags. Archery success rate is always below 18%. There are units with low public land and high tags for riffle.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I think that allowing deer hunters during the general season elk wouldn't be a bad thing.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	As i said up above i think evaluate the draws that are all ready out could be good.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#502]

Name	Sean Norvell
Current city of residence	Susanville
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Bad idea, lost revenue etc.Needs to be a bull tag, like two point and better. I hunt eastern Oregon every year and I'm there the entire season. Plenty of elk and not a lot of hunters in the past few years.Please get ahold of me if you would like more information.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I agree with you on this going to controlled hunts
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	N/a
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	N/a

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#501]

Name	Allen Johnson
Current city of residence	North bend
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	If you do it you need to make the west a draw to way to many people now and the draw in the east will make it way worse
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Keep it the way it is and change bag limit to fork are better
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Change this so there is no gap in deer season unless we can deer hunt there without a elk tag
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Keep western Oregon deer a fork are better hunt

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#500]

Name JONATHAN DAY

Current QUICKSBURG
city of
residence

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

My name is Jonathan Day, I am a non resident hunter , my wife is a non resident hunter. Her and I strongly oppose the proposed controlled archery tags for elk in Eastern Oregon. I have hunted the Imnaha unit with a bow 6 different years, 2008,9,10, 14 15 and 16. I have to say I have never felt crowded. I have the had the opportunity to harvest an elk every year, though was not always successful, (that's why it is called hunting season not killing season). There is plenty of space. I have hunted for days without ever seeing another hunter. If other hunters are feeling cramped or inequity in opportunity, its because they are too lazy to hike in deeper , they want an easy ,close to the road hunt. That is not your departments fault ,you cannot fix that. I have never heard another bow hunter in that unit complain of overcrowding. The only complaint I have, and heard many other say the same, is the number of wolves. (Needs to be addressed) I truly love visiting and hunting Eastern Oregon! I have spent thousands of dollars in licenses and tags , thousands in fuel food and accommodations. If you choose to turn these units to controlled hunts you have eliminated the opportunity for virtually all non residents to hunt there, and many residents. Many residents spend lots of money traveling from western to eastern. The 5% tag allocation would be approximately and the outfitters having the opportunity to buy those leaves little opportunity for non-residents. Which is a shame when there are millions of acres of Federal owned National Forest and Federal owned BLM and Federal owned Wilderness, which is truly owned by each one of us Federal taxpayers. yet nonresidents will rarely be able to enjoy them for hunting with your proposed rules. The state I live in does not restrict the number of non residents tags or there opportunity to hunt . They have equal chance as residents. They can hunt the National Forest and Wilderness area the same as residents. The controlled hunts tags are also the same for both resident and non residents. I also have been applying for controlled elk in your state for 19 years without success on first choice hunts , for your famed Mt Emily unit, so the only opportunity I have had to hunt is with your over the counter tags (along with many other non-residents that have been applying for the one or two tags for one of the "

Big Three" trophy management units). As far as trying to keep elk on public land and off private is a losing battle. The private land is almost always going to have better feed because of crops or the location is more hospitable. That's just something we have to live with. You can't fix that. On your website the statement was made " hunters surveyed would prefer to rifle hunt", let me ask you were they asked would they prefer to hunt elk every year or every five or 6 year?At the current draw odds a resident may draw a tag in these units once in five or more years. So if archery was also controlled they would not be able to hunt but once every 5 or more years, possibly even longer because of the point creep. Did the survey recipients understand what they were being asked? The resident hunters and non-resident hunters I have had the privilege to speak with are satisfied with the current regulations. I thank you for your time and consideration. Sincerely Jonathan and Jaime Day

2. My name is Jonathan Day my wife and I are nonresident hunters. We both strongly oppose this proposal. We
Archery suggest putting a cap on the number of archery tags. And selling them on a first come first serve format.
deer: Thank you for your time and consideration. Sincerely, Jonathan and Jaime Day
change
from
general
to
controlled
season in
eastern
Oregon.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#499]

Name	Kevin Mattson
Current city of residence	Redmond
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Against it. The average success rate for archery is substantially lower than rifle success. The problem is the number of hunters in an area resulting from failure to draw the rifle tag that rifle hunters want so they jump over to archery. I believe that the pick your weapon rule when you apply for a controlled or regular season tag. If you are not successful , that's too bad. You cannot crossover.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as above.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Same as above
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Limited tags will decrease success among archery hunters and will result in mismanagement of population density. Available habitat can only support a specific number of animals before nature thins the heard naturally.

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#498]

Name Brent Near

Current city of residence Long Creek

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

The proposed change from general to controlled archery is an excellent decision by the ODFW. To manage the elk and archery hunters with the evolution of archery hunting and equipment was a long time coming. The only problem I see is that the number of tags proposed for each unit are too many. Hunters will still be able to put in for hunts in high demand and then put in for archery hunts using their second choice and still draw while retaining their points or buying left over archery tags after the draw while still retaining their points. I think archery tag numbers should be less and or a person should have to put in for either rifle or elk.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon. Archery deer controlled hunts are also an excellent idea, even more so than elk with their dwindling numbers. More tags need to be cut, habitat improved, and more predators need to be culled to help the deer rebound!

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts) All proposed tag numbers for deer and elk archery hunts need to be cut from proposed numbers. Hunters will still use archery hunts for their "backup plan" if they don't draw their first choice tags by putting archery hunts in as their second choice or buying leftover tags thus retaining their points. Make the hunters draw the archery tags as a first choice or not at all.

Nick Myatt

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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#497]

Name	Justin Peacock
Current city of residence	Springfield
Email	Justinpeacock87@gmail.com
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	change to 3 pt or better
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	change 3 pt or better
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	if I had a choice, move to November
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Introduce Wolf hunting on a controlled basis, limited draw like other controlled tags

Nick Myatt

From: Wufoo <no-reply@wufoo.com>
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Subject: 2021 big game regulations comment form [#496]

Name Matthew Leckenby

Current city of residence la grande

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Dont not change this!! It is our God given right to have an opportunity to hunt and provide meat for our freezers. You have to give every hunter an opportunity at hunting every year. This idea of if you dont draw an archery tag or a rifle tag then you don't get to hunt is completely ridiculous. You can't punish the hunters over the states mismanagement with predators. If this idea of not giving people a opportunity to put meat in their freezers goes on, more poaching will absolutely go on. We wouldn't even be havig this conversation if odfw hadn't introduced the mismanaged wolves into Oregon Along with the poorly managed bear and cougar population. Odfw is to political and cares about the special interest groups money instead of low income people having a way to provide food for their families.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Exactly the same thing I said about question number 1. Honestly get real! the drastic decline in the elk and especially the deer in Eastern Oregon has everything to do with introducing another apex predator. The wolf, Every hunter has noticed the change over the last couple years, it wasnt disease or anything else. It was the wolf. The biologists here in La grande tell us this all the time. The hunters are not stupid, we are the boots on the ground watching the changes. We have to have an opportunity to hunt and provide for our families. Well in fact we will provide for our families, It might not be "legal" but people will get more sneaky at doing it. Yeah a few will be caught but alot won't.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)

Tag numbers have to change, so now a person who has mt Emily in their back yard cannot hunt the unit more than once in their lifetime! It already takes to long to draw a tag in Oregon specially mt Emily. A person might get lucky and be able to hunt a unit they live in 1 or 2 times in their entire life? Does this seem right to the think tanks at odfw? If it does then you deserve to deal with the huge problem of poaching. People can only take so much before the do what

they want. I would try and figure out a way to get a tag in peoples pockets. So they can provide for their families. This really is not worth talking about because we all know deep down, hunting in Oregon is broken and will not be fixed until the thinking in Odfw is completely replaced by actual conservationists not money mongers. Please seperate odfw from the groups that hate hunting and don't want animals harmed, and get back to Growing the elk and deer numbers! For us to kill and eat them. That is the job of odfw.

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Name	Nathan Ohta
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Changing the eastern oregon archery season from general to controlled would greatly reduce hunter opportunity. I love to hunt eastern oregon but typically only get 2-3 days per year to do so. Being able to hunt one weekend east and then hunt closer to home on the west side the remainder of the season allows me opportunity and a quality experience. This change would eliminate my ability to hunt in eastern oregon and likely increase pressure in the u its i hunt on the west side. This is a bad idea all around.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Changing the eastern oregon archery season from general to controlled would greatly reduce hunter opportunity. I love to hunt eastern oregon but typically only get 2-3 days per year to do so. Being able to hunt one weekend east and then hunt closer to home on the west side the remainder of the season allows me opportunity and a quality experience. This change would eliminate my ability to hunt in eastern oregon and likely increase pressure in the u its i hunt on the west side. This is a bad idea all around.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	I do not hunt either season so this does not affect me.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Bring back the snake river cow elk hunt (259) as population numbers allow.

Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I have not had any problems with the elk numbers there is plenty of elk where i hunt. This will aslo flood the west side witch we have enough problem getting into the woods when fire season is in effect. I hu t the east side of pacific crest trail now hunting grounds that mean something to my children and me. The sacred places where we harvest elk year afteryear.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

These are irritating questions to be answering. Were now going to let predators run rampet. Its like your managing for predators not for americans and predators. Open baiting bear let doggs tree cats jut till we get those numbers in check. Stop taking away area from archery hunters. Archery hunters normally take good care of the grounds they hunt hear after year. You will be putting an ent to alot of peoples traditions.

Nick Myatt

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	. No
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	No
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	We need more cougar population control. Their numbers keep going up ever since hound hunting was band. I'm not big into hound hunting but at least it kept their numbers in check. Introducing a non keystone species of wolves in Oregon blows my mind. They need to go period. We have enough predators without the wolves. Reducing cow and doe hunts throughout the state would be nice.

Nick Myatt

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Name	Michael Adamson
Current city of residence	Estacada
1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Instead of short changing the people that pay the way buy limited hunting opportunities why does odfw not push for predator controls like running dogs for bear and mountain lions. As the biggest show of game animals dropping in population was after the removed hunting with dogs. The control of the predator population will help the deer and elk and keep opportunities in the hands of hunters
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I don't think it should be controlled. It should stay the same. The compromise would be to make several LARGE OTC units and you have to choose 1. Making it all controlled will really screw the folks who live in eastern Oregon And want to save up points for a great unit.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

Leave deer the same. Archery hunters are going to hunt deer and elk at the same time. Changing elk will have the same effect for people traveling to hunt. Guys in eastern Oregon need to be able to have OTC hunts or they are totally hosed for being able to hunt in their back yards so to speak.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

Allow to pursue both at the same time. No need to move the season

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Name	Ty Sumner
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Firmly disagree with changing this to controlled.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I also firmly disagree with this. I believe reducing the number of rifle tags will help immensely in units with population in decline. The Ochoco unit is a great example of a unit with far too many rifle deer tags awarded. The quality and quantity of animals has drastically declined since I started hunting it 22 years ago. I have a hard time understanding why the archery deer tag is now controlled in the Ochoco unit, but nothing was done to reduce rifle tags.
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Keep current dates and allow deer hunting. Also, I feel predator hunting should be allowed during deer and elk seasons. As an archery hunter, I still like going with my family in rifle season. I have multiple times I have not been able to shoot a bear or cougar because I'm not allowed to carry a weapon in those seasons, even when I have a valid predator tag.
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	I believe all muzzleloader seasons should allow archery equipment as well. There is not much difference in the lethal range of both weapons.

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Name	David Nelson
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	please keep archery general season. You are only doing it for the \$ for permits \$
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	keep it general season
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	should be that way in all seasons of
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Nooooo

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Name	Logan Hughes
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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	You will loose my business along with a lot of other people I know if it goes to that. If it changes I'll put my money towards another state. Keep it general.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Keep it general season
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	..
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	..

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Yes controlled. Severe measures are needed
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same response as above
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	Move season to november
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	Bring back cougar hunting with dogs. You guys know the numbers over east on cougars. Its alarming

Nick Myatt

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3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time. Move to November!!! October is way too early for a hunt up there.

4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts) Here's an idea... let us hunt with hounds again. Cougars are out of control. All of the ranchers I've talked to over in Eastern Oregon have said the cougars are really bad. Cougar tags should come free with a deer or elk tag. It's rare anyone sees them anyway, but it might help with the population.

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

I don't believe that this is necessary. If you move the date of western elk season you will be giving a better opportunity for rifle hunters to fill their tags so the people who prefer to rifle hunt but don't because it's such a poor opportunity will go back to rifle hunting. This should cause a significant decline in eastern Oregon hunting pressure.

2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.

While I understand that decline in food sources is a big part of the huge decline in deer populations, you can't ignore the fact that the cougar population is around double what it should be. Add wolves to the mix and that becomes a huge part of the problem as well. Giving hunters less opportunity instead of more options for predator control seems to be the opposite direction that we should be headed. Focus on overpopulation of predators and conservation of food sources seems to be the best option even if it's not the easiest.

3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.

I feel like moving the general season to November would bring back a large number of hunters who switched to archery season for lack of good opportunity. Once again, this also helps lower the pressure experienced in the units east of the cascades.

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1. Archery elk: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	I believe with success rates for archery being so low that more of a focus should be put on predator management. Archery success rates are at 11%. Limiting tags isn't going to change the amount of Elk in those units.
2. Archery deer: change from general to controlled season in eastern Oregon.	Same as above
3. West Cascade elk (general any-legal weapon season): Move season to November OR keep current dates but allow deer hunting in Cascades to continue during elk season so hunters can pursue both species at same time.	No opinion
4. Other changes being considered (incl. tag numbers/hunt tables for specific hunts)	No opinion

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