

# **Exhibit E**

**Supplemental  
Public Correspondence received  
May 31 to June 5, 2019**



**Roxann B Borisch**

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**Subject:** FW: 600 SERIES CONTROLLED HUNT

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**From:** Scott McGregor <[SMcGregor@englundmarine.com](mailto:SMcGregor@englundmarine.com)>

**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 10:12 AM

**To:** [Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us](mailto:Nick.A.Myatt@state.or.us)

**Subject:** 600 SERIES CONTROLLED HUNT

GOOD MORNING, THIS IS SCOTT MCGREGOR FROM ASTORIA OREGON.AFTER READING THE LATEST POSSIBLE CHANGES TO THE 2020 HUNTING SEASONS I HAVE ONE CONCERN.I HAVE BEEN APPLYING FOR 600 SERIES HUNT #644A3 FOR 12 YEARS.WILL I BE ABLE TO TRANSFER MY POINTS TO A 100 SERIES TAG IF THAT UNIT CHANGES?IT WOULD BE HORRIBLE FOR ANYONE PUTTING IN FOR THAT HUNT TO HAVE IT ALL FOR NOT AFTER SO MANY YEARS APPLYING.OR POSSIBLE TO TRANSFER MY POINTS TO ANY OTHER SERIES.THANKS FOR YOUR TIME SCOTT MCGREGOR

## Roxann B Borisch

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**From:** Travis Rutz <travis.j.rutz@lesschwab.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, June 3, 2019 9:37 AM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** ODFW proposed rule changes

In reading the proposed rules changes for 2020 I noticed that 600 series hunts that allow for the taking of a buck will be moved to 100 series. I have (along with hundreds of others) been applying for the Umatilla NWR hunt # 644A3 which is an either sex deer hunt. There are 3 of these tags available each year so they are very sought after and hard to draw. I have accumulated 22 preference points in the 600 series while applying for this tag. If it is moved to 100 series will I be able to transfer my preference points? I would hope that the commission has taken this in to consideration.

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Travis Rutz  
LS Transport Inc.  
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**From:** Brad Smith <bradsmith3@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 2, 2019 10:03 PM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** Leave cascade elk season alone.

Leave the cascade elk season the way it is. Hwy97 boundary. Don't separate unit 31 and portions of the sprague unit with an Indian reservation in it that has natives taking elk constantly throughout the year with no harvest control what so ever. Now I have to "apply" to hunt in that unit...? I am assuming the same rules will apply to the natives in Chiloquin for hunting these areas.?? If not, complete waste of a draw.

New hunts with only 5 hunts huntable days is not "bettering " hunting opportunities. Oregon hunts are already the shortest of any states in the surrounding west. Let people hunt and enjoy the season without a "draw"... that 3% success rate isn't hurting the elk population.

Sent from my iPhone

## Roxann B Borisch

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**From:** Nick Shein <shein35@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 2, 2019 9:34 PM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** Re: ODFW continues efforts to improve big game regulations – New proposals for 2020

Hello,  
Below please see my comments about some of the proposed regulation changes.

600 series bag limit of one antlerless deer- I am not in favor of this bag limit change unless it comes with a substantial reduction in tag numbers. Adding spikes to the general tag bag limit will increase the hunter success on the general tag. I expect the 600 series harvest to stay the same, but now they will all be does. We will be taking more deer total, and more does. The buck to doe ratios may be fine, but I doubt that the total populations are at or above MO, and can handle the increased doe harvest.

Longer sheep/antelope seasons-go ahead and make the seasons longer, but add time to the end and don't take it from the beginning. Starting a season later does nothing other than adding an inconvenience to people like myself that have work conflicts in the fall. Being in education or having to plan around school schedules could make later seasons difficult. Adding time to the beginning, like in August, might actually give people, and our next generation of hunters, more flexibility.

Hunt area boundaries expanded-hunt area boundaries should be defined based on herds, home ranges, migration patterns etc, not simplicity. The assumption is that hunts with unique boundaries were designed to address specific issues and or target specific populations. Go ahead and change unit boundaries if the population has changed, but don't materially change them just to make it less confusing. In essence, please make sure you are considering the biology first, and keeping the simplification secondary. As an example, there are some late season hunts in the Whitehorse unit that target bucks migrating in from Idaho. It wouldn't make sense to expand those hunts to the entire unit because you would be putting more pressure on the resident bucks that are not in the target population.

Moving all 600 series tags that allow buck harvest to 100 series-how are you going to handle people that have been accumulating 600 series points to get an additional buck tag? There are a lot of people, myself included, that apply for "any deer" hunts in that series to harvest a buck, and have banked a lot of points for that purpose. As the points were earned for a buck tag, are you going to allow them to be used for a buck tag? Perhaps allow a 1 time rollover of points from 600 series to 100 series?

Lastly, I read in the meeting minutes you were thinking of cancelling the late season juniper deer hunt. Kudos for that decision! Most of our deer populations, and mule deer especially, are in the tank. Don't be afraid to cut tags on hunts like that, or regular season tags, due to poor population counts/estimates. I am all for opportunity, but am willing to forego some opportunity now to help overall populations, with the idea to healthy populations in the future will provide more opportunities down the road.

Nick Shein  
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Sent from my iPhone

On May 30, 2019, at 3:47 PM, Nick Shein <[nick.shein@bend.k12.or.us](mailto:nick.shein@bend.k12.or.us)> wrote:

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**From:** Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife <[odfw@public.govdelivery.com](mailto:odfw@public.govdelivery.com)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 30, 2019 3:28 PM  
**To:** Nick Shein <[nick.shein@bend.k12.or.us](mailto:nick.shein@bend.k12.or.us)>  
**Subject:** ODFW continues efforts to improve big game regulations – New proposals for 2020

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## **ODFW continues efforts to improve big game regulations – New proposals for 2020**



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## **ODFW continues efforts to improve big game regulations – New proposals 2020**

**Change in Western Oregon rifle deer bag limit, new general season antlerless elk damage tag**

Thursday, May 30, 2019

**SALEM, Ore.—** Last year, ODFW began a multi-year effort to review and improve hunting regulations.

Many of Oregon’s controlled hunts and season structures were put in place decades ago and mostly untouched through years. “We have undertaken a complete review of our big game hunting regulations with the goal of making them more consistent, in tune with current populations and issues, and simpler,” said Nick Myatt, ODFW Grand Ronde Watershed Manager who is leading the effort.

A number of changes took effect in 2019, and now ODFW has new proposals for 2020. One of the major ideas proposed will be a change in the bag limit for the hunt in Oregon with more participation than any other—the Western Oregon

## Roxann B Borisch

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**From:** Kyle Bartlett <kyle.bartlett21@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 1, 2019 1:56 PM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** Proposed 2020 Big Game Regulation Changes

Dear ODFW Commission,

I'd like to take a few minutes to express my concerns about the proposed 2020 big game hunting regulation changes. My main concern is regarding the Western Oregon General Rifle Deer season bag limit being changed to allow the harvest of a spike buck and removing the spike buck from the 600 series Antlerless tags. I feel like this would be a big mistake since spike bucks are sometimes difficult to identify. Some spike bucks have only 1 inch of antler. The ears of a deer will more likely than not hide the antlers. This is the main reason spike bucks were able to legally be harvested in years past in the 600 series antlerless hunts. This prevented the accidental harvest of a spike buck by allowing the harvest. If ODFW removes the spike buck from the bag limit of the 600 series hunts, OSP Game Troopers will be very busy with the "Illegal" (if said proposal takes place), harvest of spike bucks during 600 series tags that were mistaken as antlers deer (Doe). It is also my opinion that our blacktail buck population is not ready for this kind of change.

My second concern is the proposed changes of "127 existing hunts being consolidated into 49 hunts". I understand that there are a bunch of hunts out there and boundaries for certain tags can be confusing. But reducing/consolidating the hunters options for hunts is not the answer. I'd like to see more of an effort for maps with outlined boundaries for EVERY tag be made available to hunters on the ODFW website to print off.

Thank you for your time.  
-Kyle Bartlett

## Roxann B Borisch

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**From:** jimturcke@aol.com  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 1, 2019 7:02 AM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** Changes to Eastern Oregon 600 series one deer hunts

Hello,

Per recent news release, I am aware that there are proposed changes to the Eastern Oregon 600 series one deer bag limit hunts. It was stated that these hunts would be moved into the 100 series. There was no mention of what would be done with, or any options for those hunters who possess 600 series preference points. I am at 21 600 series preference points in an effort to draw a 644A3 tag. There are only a handful of individuals who have been targeting this hunt for better than two decades. I realize that at times, changes in hunting regulations must be made. The reason for this should be by sound biological reasoning, not politically driven. To simply ignore this situation and leave those like myself grossly "overpointed" for a list of doe hunts would be a tremendous disservice to loyal Oregon sportsmen and women who have been faithfully doing their part to support the ODF&W.

Thank you for your consideration,

Jim Turcke

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**From:** ted park <tjscows@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 1, 2019 6:57 AM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** Proposed changes

I read threw the proposed changes and i think alot of them are poor.

The biggest is changing the buck to include spike. Before the units use to have nice bucks and people would hunt for them turning down forked horns. You guys then brought in the doe or spike tag the last few days of the season. The numbers dropped horribly . Learn from your mistakes if you do this then you will drop the numbers of bucks more. What I see from this is a bandaid for you. People are complaining about the hunting here so you feel give them more animals to shoot to promote more tag purchases but in a couple of years you will have spikes breading because you won't have the mature bucks to bread. You are paid to manage. How about managing. Let's look into predator control. Drop the number of anterless tags for elk and deer. People buy a tag to hunt. Just because they are lazy and feel they have to kill doesn't mean we just make it easier for them to kill. It means they can hunt like the tag they they pay for says. To get better quality it's going to take a joint effort from odfw and hunters. It means giving stuff up for a couple years. And it means managing predictors better. As far as the extending of season for like antelope why not add more tags if you want more killed. By extending it all you are trying to do is make the success numbers high and more appealing for out of state people to get more people applying. One change it should be on a draw is if you aren't successful you get a refund on your licence . A lot of people don't apply because it cost the 8 dollars plus a tag. If they don't draw they won't use the tag

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**From:** chuck byrd <csabyrd@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 1, 2019 6:41 AM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** Re. hunting regulation proposal

Dear Sirs;

I applaud you for looking at making changes to the harvesting of game here in this great state. I am 67 years of age and have been hunting big game since the age of 12. Through the years I have watched the decline of deer and elk numbers for various reasons, such as changes in logging practices, loss of habitat due to land encroachment, over hunting, and changes in hunting equipment and hunting ideals. I have been hunting elk with traditional archery equipment since I started; not because it's easier, but because it gives me greater satisfaction. Since the advent of the compound bow more and more people are hunting during the archery seasons. The problem occurs now with all the new equipment, faster bows, rangefinders, carbon arrows, etc. people that I know are shooting at elk of ranges over 100 yards. I personally know of a family of 4 brothers and cousins that wounded more than a dozen elk in one season. How many of those elk died of their wounds? This was over 10 years ago. What is it like now? Areas that I hunted in the past that held healthy numbers of elk are virtually void of elk now. I hunted a week last season in the Strawberries where I had called in many bulls years prior. Last season I saw one bull and it was down low on a private ranch. The years of high numbers of cow hunts have had a drastic impact on the elk numbers also. In the Malheur unit 10 years ago you could see up to 200 head of elk a day. Last season I saw none. What does the future hold for the upcoming generations? Then there is the advances in modern hunting equipment. Many people are turning to range finders, longer range rifles, ballistic coefficient bullets, and rifle scopes that allow the "shooter" to dial in the yardage, adjust for the wind and hold dead on the target at ranges exceeding 1000 yards. The dynamics of hunting have changed in technology but also in the minds of new hunters. Hunting used to be about how close one could get to the game and make a clean, ethical shot. Now it's becoming about being able to kill an animal at long distance. This adds to the number of animals being taken also. Changes need to be made taking into consideration the advances made in hunting equipment. They also need to be made reducing the number of cow elk hunts in the same units year after year. I will continue to hunt with traditional archery equipment for the joy of hunting. I will also continue to hunt deer with the muzzle loader I built back in 1974 for the joy of hunting. That is my mindset and I understand change. The mindset change in many is no longer about the joy of hunting, but about the harvest and the bragging.

I also believe (know) that not all animals harvested are reported. There are many who shoot more than the limit and also take animals for family members and friends. It is difficult for the wildlife officers who have vast areas to patrol to keep up with the unlawful taking of game, particularly in heavily forested areas such as south west Oregon.

I would also like to address the idea of adding spike deer to the western Oregon deer harvest. In my 55 years of deer hunting I have seen only ONE spike buck that looked to be a mature buck. From past experience, I believe that if you allow the harvest of spike blacktail deer it will only add to diminished population of them.

Thank you for your further diligence in caring for the wildlife of this great state,

Hopeful, Chuck Byrd

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**From:** Justin Engeseth <jengeseth@cherrycityelectric.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 1, 2019 5:32 AM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** Umatilla 600 Hunts

Just read the proposed 6/6/19 proposal for big game hunting. While I know it's impossible to keep everything fair, and the job is often times thankless. I do appreciate the efforts being made to hunting in Oregon. I want to tell you as a 31 year old hunter, I made a plan to quit hunting scappoose unit doe tag when the quota was reduced significantly about 10 years ago. At that point I began to apply for the Umatilla Buck muz/shotgun/arch tag. Knowing full well it would take 20+ years at best. Now you want to move it to the 100 series. While I see the good faith in this, it's not even being remotely considered for people like me. Will you let people transfer points to the 600 series? Or why not turn the 600 series into a more special unit where restrictions are more predicated. Such as putting units where boundaries, season dates, or weapon restrictions are more irregular.

I'm beyond frustrated that I will have over a dozen points, and be back to looking at a doe tag with 15 points.

Secondly, with no buck points after drawing the Starkey Experimental Buck tag, there is no mention of a reduction of Buck tags. I find that appalling when 2 weeks before the season a letter was mailed explaining the mule deer population had been steadily declining. That hunt should have been reduced or cancelled last year. I spent 7 points for a unit that projected less than 125 mule deer inside the fence. While success is never guaranteed, opportunities should. Now you have year 2 of a study where elk are being eliminated to see if mule deer will rebound. Helps further my point that 2017 should have been cancelled or points returned. Both these decisions drive me towards just saving and going to buy a hunt or out of state. Please consider, and if any other options for myself, would love to hear.

Justin Engeseth

Sent from my iPhone

**Roxann B Borisch**

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**From:** jon jon <milhouse831@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 12:42 PM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** Re: ODFW continues efforts to improve big game regulations – New proposals for 2020

Hi,

The report calls out elk-human agricultural conflicts as an important reason for reducing the elk population via increased hunting opportunities in 2020.

I am curious if anyone has thought of surveying the quality of agricultural fencing and/or subsidizing improved fencing to funnel elk away from private agricultural property during that decision making process?

Fences were not mentioned in the report at all and I wonder if those were considered so that science could be the driver of the increased hunting quota instead of landowner complaints.

Thanks,  
Jonathan

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**From:** Colin Rowles <crowles0814@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 11:35 AM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** Big game regulations meeting June 6th

Hello,

I would like to add to my previous comments in regards to 600 series tags in western Oregon. I am wondering is the goal is to increase harvest of does by changing to a month long hunt from its present 2 weeks, why not simply add more tags? This would not only increase harvest, but reign in point creep. A doe tag for one of the 20 tags in the Wilson unit in 2012 took approximately 7 points I believe to draw. This year, that same tag takes 11 points to draw. The same goes for the other NW Oregon tags. If and increase I, harvest is the objective, add tags. This would also increase revenue a bit with the sale of additional tags.

Thank you,  
Colin Rowles  
Banks, OR

*Sent from my LG Smartphone*

**Roxann B Borisch**

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**From:** Ethan Miley <ethanmiley1987@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 9:28 AM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** Against the proposal

You can not do visible antler to the western deer tag if anything it should go to 3pt or better with the exception 17yrs and younger can still harvest a fork horn!!!

Why should you take a 600series doe tag and switch it out to a 100series doe tag when the mule deer population has been on a rapid decline.

This is insane, who thinks of this stuff!

Get rid of the wolves in Oregon and try to help our wildlife. I'm not talking just about the animals the ones in your office are just as bad!

Thanks

Your multiple tag and application buyer every year!

Sent from my iPhone

## Roxann B Borisch

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**From:** Justin Taylor <jt921892@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 8:38 AM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** Concerned sportsman

Where does a hunter have to go to vote on stuff like changing from 2 point to spike ? This stuff should be up to a vote of the people if its not already and i would vote to keep it 2 point or 3 point or better

**Roxann B Borisch**

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**From:** Justin Taylor <jt921892@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 31, 2019 6:48 AM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** PLEASE

please keep western oregon 2 pt minimum there is no point to be legal to shoot a spike buck, theyre immature ,  
2 pts at least have a chance to breed

## Roxann B Borisch

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**From:** Dennis Brassard <topbrass@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 30, 2019 8:08 PM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** New regs

I think the proposed new regulations being presented is right on target. Good job!  
I would like to see some regulation changes to bow hunting in the state. We can use lighted knocks now. Which is really a no brainer! We can use mechanical Broadheads now. Thank you!  
But if we are talking about humanely taking an animal. There is no reason why we can't use something like the Garmin bow site with the range finder built in. It takes a lot of the guess work out. Provides a cleaner harvest. A lot less wounded animals which is what we are trying to do here. Just my strong opinion on the matter. I hope you will consider this as well in June.  
Thank you,  
Dennis Brassard  
President of local lodge 1432  
Machinists W24

Sent from my iPhone

## Roxann B Borisch

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**From:** Colin Rowles <crowles0814@msn.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 30, 2019 7:45 PM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** Proposed big game changes

Hello,

I am writing in both support and opposition to proposed big game changes being discussed at the game commission meeting on June 6th. I do the majority of my hunting in western oregon and I support the expanded seasons for the extremely limited number of doe tags that exist for hunters. There are only 111 tags available for hunter between the Saddle MT, Scappoose, Wilson, and Trask units that each take 11 years to get a tag and point creep will drive that higher in years and be uncatchable for many. Youth tags now comprise 230 tags in those same units. The units can and should support fewer youth tags and more adult tags that have been putting into the system for years.

Along these same lines. Changing the western bag limit from forked antler or better to a spike is the wrong decision for maintaining good deer herds. I have found myself in a situation 4 times in the past 6 years where a young, and inexperienced spike buck has made a mistake and shown himself where I could have shot him. And in those same seasons I did not find a legal buck to shoot. To say that shooting spikes will not negatively impact buck ratios is laughable at best. Many hunters shoot for the first legal buck and allowing spikes into that mix will hurt the deer population in the long run. I encourage you to oppose including spikes in buck only hunts for western oregon and would also encourage raising the eastern Oregon buck limit to a forked antler as well.

Thank you,  
Colin Rowles  
Banks, OR

*Sent from my LG Smartphone*

**Roxann B Borisch**

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**From:** Haden Sams <samshaden@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 30, 2019 5:55 PM  
**To:** ODFW Commission  
**Subject:** Late season archery Blacktail

My name is Haden Sams and after talking the last few years with a large number of hunters around the area I really think adding the tioga unit to the late season archery Blacktail hunt would aid with getting people out and having more people participate in archery hunting and there's plenty of bucks running in the tioga see very large numbers of big and small bucks during rifle elk season. Just wondering if this is doable and what steps I can take to help it along. I will be contacting the biologist for the tioga and talk with him.

## Roxann B Borisch

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**From:** Taylor Albertson <taylorpalbertson@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 30, 2019 5:50 PM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** Public input on 2020 seasons

Hello,

I see that you're considering removing the Juniper Muzzleloader rut tag. I think that's the right move. Low deer density and low quality. Would you possibly consider moving other muzzleloader deer tags closer to the rut time to make up for it? For example, the interstate and silver lake muzzy tags are immediately after the controlled rifle season. With the 1,600+ rifle hunters in the interstate and 2,000+ rifle hunters in the silver lake unit, it really lowers the quality of the muzzy tags following. All the deer are scattered and hiding. If you moved those muzzy tags to November, they would be much better hunts, people would use more points on them, which would help alleviate point creep.

And maybe instead of a Juniper Muzzy tag, you could just change it to High Desert Muzzy so you could basically hunt all of southeast oregon with a muzzleloader during the rut. Bigger hunt area will spread hunters out and offer a better opportunity to harvest a good buck.

I think better, higher quality tags will bring more hunting interest to Oregon. States that are focusing on quality hunts instead of quantity seem to be doing better off. Offering a wider variety of hunts with better seasons would be beneficial.

Has there ever been talk of starting archery season a week earlier, having a muzzleloader season, and then rifle. You could spread more hunters out, and offer more hunts with a better experience, like Nevada and Colorado offer. It would be nice to have a true muzzleloader season for deer and elk in Oregon.

Thanks,

Taylor

Sent from my iPhone

**Roxann B Borisch**

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**Subject:** FW: Upcoming Proposals

-----Original Message-----

From: Kipp Domby <kipppdomby@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, June 3, 2019 9:32 PM

To: Commission Odfw <odfw.commission@state.or.us>

Subject: Upcoming Proposals

ODFW Commission,

I am a licensed Oregon resident hunter and am writing in regards to the proposed change from 600 series "any deer" tags to 100 series.

If this change is adopted, you would be harming many people who have been putting in for a long time for one of the coveted "any deer" tags such as west blue mountains and Umatilla game preserve.

Also I am not sure how moving a 600 series with a bag limit of "any deer" to a 100 series lessens confusion? You are essentially saying that you don't want bucks harvested in a 600 series hunt because it is confusing but moving these "any deer" tags to 100 series would allow for doe harvest on that series? Seems like if one is confusing, so would the other???

Kipp Domby

Sent from my iPhone

**Roxann B Borisch**

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**Subject:**

FW:

**From:** Dave Hamrick <[dhamrick53@gmail.com](mailto:dhamrick53@gmail.com)>

**Sent:** Monday, June 3, 2019 7:14 PM

**To:** [odfw.commission@state.or.us](mailto:odfw.commission@state.or.us)

**Subject:**

Deer hunting southeast oregon:

Just spent several days camping and scouting. If you evan open a mule deer season, you are insane!!! I have hunted over 50 years Oregon mule deer. I believe if you stop all hunting now, it may help? More than likely damage is done. Within 15 years mule deer will be extinct. If you think you can prove me wrong please contact me.

Thanks maybe if you listen. Dave Hamrick

PS. I know this is waste of time

**Roxann B Borisch**

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**Subject:** FW: Deer hunt proposals are ridiculous.

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**From:** Jason Miley <milo76@live.com>

**Sent:** Monday, June 3, 2019 12:58 PM

**To:** [odfw.commission@state.or.us](mailto:odfw.commission@state.or.us)

**Subject:** Deer hunt proposals are ridiculous.

These new bag limit proposals are completely backwards. With reducing to a spike buck, sounds to me like the commission is catering to lazy hunters who gripe about no deer and they are never successful in harvesting a buck. Spikes are immature and will hang around longer because they are for a lack of a better term dumb. Also its apparent odfw just wants more money from sportsman because if you make it easier to be successful, more people buy tags and licenses. I'm sure that is the driving factor behind all this. I do not stand alone in my opinion, everyone I have talk to says this is regressive and money driven.

Why dont you make the antler restriction to 3 point or better, and only youths can harvest a forked horn. You want people to be more successful, then extend the Western buck season into the rut by a week where opportunities are more common. You people need sportsmans and conservationists to run the commission, because it seems the ones in the field have more common sense than one who is not a sportsman at all. And if you want more deer and elk, why dont you do a better job managing predators. This is way out of hand.

You have the tools to manage in the proper way, but when everything is money driven and political, the commission has become regressive. Probably the worst in the country.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

**Roxann B Borisch**

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**From:** Ryan Sexton <willametteriveroutlaw@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 4, 2019 10:54 AM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** 2020 Big Game seasons

To whom it may concern,

I am proposing the following changes to the current season structure:

1. Change the season closing dates on Spring bear controlled hunts from 5/31 to 6/15 and the opening date to 4/15. Many years ago there is too much snow to access the many of the North east Oregon units and the high cascades to harvest bears by 6/1. The additional time would allow for more opportunity to hunt not inhibited by the weather.

2. Change all mule deer and elk units that are draw for rifle to be draw for archery as well.

Thanks,

Ryan Sexton

## Roxann B Borisch

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**From:** longshotcliff@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 4, 2019 12:12 PM  
**To:** odfw.commission@state.or.us  
**Subject:** White River controlled hunt proposal on General season Bull Elk

Dear ODFW, I do not want to see the White River general season rifle bull elk changed to controlled hunt. This unit has been a good plan B if you did not draw a controlled hunt of your choice. I'm sure a lot of hunters would agree with me on that. The only way I would accept the change is if enough tags were allotted so that there would be plenty of leftover tags for the unsuccessful applicants to purchase.

Maybe more controls should be put on bow hunters. It seems like their success on hunts is increasing in some units while rifle hunters is decreasing. The bow hunters seem to harvest a good number of the big breeding bulls! I have noticed on the new system there is not the herd composition report. I would be interested in seeing that.

Thank you,  
Clifford Kirk

Date: June 4, 2019  
To: ODFW Commission  
odfw.commission@state.or.us  
Subject: 600 Series Change Proposal  
ODFW News Release - May 30, 2019

I am writing the Commission regarding the following statement in the "New Proposals for 2020":

***"Other eastern Oregon hunts in the 600 series that allow for buck harvest will be moved to the 100 series buck hunts for consistency and to more equitably distribute hunting opportunity by giving each hunter one buck hunting opportunity every year."***

As someone who this year invested in what will likely be my twenty-third 600 series point, this proposal greatly concerns me.

This proposed change would only apply to three Eastern Oregon hunts. One hunt is for mule deer and two are for white-tailed deer. In regards to mule deer management, this change would only apply to three tags (644A3) which brought in \$12,504 in application fees in 2018, or \$4,168 per tag. These three hunt codes generate a huge interest among applicants, bring in a substantial number of 600 series applications, and income to ODFW:

**644A3 Umatilla NWR No. 3 "one deer"**

3 tags, 1563 applicants in 2018 (\$12,504 application fees)  
23 points to draw in 2018

**655A Orchards "one white-tailed deer"**

20 tags and 350 applicants in 2018 (\$2,800 application fees)  
11 points to draw in 2018

**649B W Blue Mtns "one white-tailed deer"**

120 tags, 1447 applicants in 2018 (\$11,576 in application fees)  
8 points to draw in 2018

Since no Eastern Oregon "antlerless" hunt took over 12 points to draw in 2018, and it took 8 points or more to draw the above three tags, it is safe to assume that a high proportion of "Point Savers" with 8 or more points, were buying points specifically for an Eastern Oregon "one deer" hunt. That does not take into account those with less than 8 points with that strategy. With that in mind:

In 2018, there were approximately 5140 applicants who either applied for the above three hunts or had 8 or more points and bought a Point Saver. **ODFW collected \$41,120 in application fees** from those applicants, and even this does not fully surround those pursuing these Eastern Oregon "one deer" tags.

Going into the 2018 draw, there were approximately 38,960 total points represented by people who applied for the above three tags, or bought a point saver (with 8 or more points). At \$8 per point, those 38,960 points represent \$311,860 in application fees collected over the years. What is the compensatory plan for those that have invested in the current 600 series hunt offerings?

There were 204 nonresidents with 8 or more 600 series points that bought a Point Saver in 2018. These applicants were required to buy a high priced nonresident hunting license to even apply. These are certainly not applicants applying for a "once in a lifetime" doe hunt. This change will sour them and those they influence. I personally know high point applicants and they are very influential figures in western hunting. To be very pointed, Oregon has developed a reputation in hunting magazines, hunt application services and online forums of being one of the worst

Western states for nonresident to apply in. ODFW needs to develop effective strategies to expand income from out of state hunters, not turn them off.

Other Points:

"Preference Points" by their very nature imply "savings account" for a tag. People buy points, saving towards a goal and ODFW is selling that savings plan. Imagine if a person saved with an investment firm for 20+ years for retirement, then just before retirement the investment firm gave those benefits to someone else. At best that is unethical. At worst, that is illegal and subject to litigation.

Over the past 10+ years, the nine applicants in my immediate family, who have bought or applied for 600 series hunts have predominantly had these Eastern Oregon "one deer" opportunities in mind. Thousands have the same strategy.

I've always advised my nonresident friends to buy a 600 series point if applying in Oregon for one of these "one deer" opportunities. If this change is adopted, that would stop.

Umatilla 644A3 is considered by many as a top 5 mule deer tag in Oregon and some years even a top 3. **It takes 5 more points than any 100 series tag to draw.** If anyone associated with this change (ODFW employees, commissioners, their friends or family) is in a position with 100 series points to draw these "one deer" tags, there is a significant conflict of interest.

If the objective is truly "one buck opportunity every year", then why is this being limited to Eastern Oregon?

This proposed change was posted on the ODFW website on May 30, 2019, **fifteen days after the application deadline** and indicates these are proposals for 2020. This gives **no advance notice** to high point applicants so they can amend their application strategy. If this change goes into effect, ODFW should give a **minimum** of a 3-year notice so applicants can decide how to use their points. Other compensatory strategies could include converting 600 series points to 100 series (not good for 100 series applicants), a one-time option for refund for points purchased (a somewhat fair resolution) or an ODFW credit towards licenses, applications or tags.

In summary, this proposal will cost ODFW significant application revenue, affect thousands of 600 series applicants, further sour nonresident interest in applying in Oregon and will take these Eastern Oregon "one deer" tags from those who have spent invested years or even decades to draw and give them to those who have not.

Thank you for your consideration,

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P.S. It may be worth noting that I provided the seed idea for the Premium Hunt opportunities to my good friend Tim Walters from the ODFW Roseburg office. That program has generated ODFW approximately \$2 million in application fees in the past 4 years (roughly \$500K/year). Over the past 30+ years, I have researched hunt opportunities in most of the western states and have seen numerous management and application strategies that hunters will invest in and those that turn hunters off. Tim has several times floated by me the idea of serving on the Commission. Although I am not willing to serve on the Commission, I would consider serving in an advisory capacity on issues like this.

DATA:

POINTS	644A3	649B	655A	POINT SAVER	TOTAL
	APPLICANTS	APPLICANTS	APPLICANTS	(8 or MORE POINTS)	POINTS
2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	BEFORE 2018 DRAW
29				3	87
28				0	0
27				2	54
26				1	26
25				1	25
24				3	72
23	4			11	345
22	6			8	308
21	14			12	546
20	27			25	1040
19	33			37	1330
18	44			43	1566
17	39			45	1428
16	33	1		52	1376
15	29	0		83	1680
14	26	1	1	66	1316
13	57	0	1	98	2028
12	72	1	14	132	2628
11	61	4	17	210	3212
10	71	9	11	258	3490
9	72	47	19	353	4419
8	77	105	24	337	4344
7	106	88	22		1512
6	100	129	28		1542
5	104	160	28		1460
4	111	139	25		1100
3	113	186	43		1026
2	102	189	35		652
1	129	179	40		348
0	133	209	42		0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1563</b>	<b>1447</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>1780</b>	<b>38960</b>
<b>TAGS ISSUED (2018)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>TOTAL WHO GAINED A POINT AFTER THE DRAW</b>	<b>1560</b>	<b>1327</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>1780</b>	

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**Subject:** FW: Proposed Hunting Regulation Changes

**From:** Tim McCoy <[pikmccoy@gmail.com](mailto:pikmccoy@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 4, 2019 7:39 AM  
**To:** [odfw.commission@state.or.us](mailto:odfw.commission@state.or.us)  
**Subject:** Proposed Hunting Regulation Changes

I am very concerned to hear 600 series one deer hunts are proposed to be moved to the 100 series. So we go from an antlerless hunt where a buck is legal to a buck hunt where a doe is legal. Does not lessen confusion at all. It's simply an optional move to solve a problem that does not exist. Take 644A3, was antlerless for years, then had a bag limit change to one deer in the mid-late 90's, where it remains to this day. It could easily go back to antlerless if needed.

In my talking with the biologist in the 90's, he indicated it was still a population control hunt but had the added goal of better buck to doe ratios, as at the time the ratio was buck heavy.

Many of us have bought 600 series points only because of a one deer hunt being available. I have had my entire family buying 600 series points for many years. The only reason we do this is for the one deer hunts, like 644A3.

This proposed move is a break in the trust Hunter's have in ODFW to act with integrity and fairness. We have paid into a system for many years, building points for a specific hunt. Very unfair and unethical to pull the hunt away and place it into a different series with no recourse left for us Hunter's.

Three fair options here I can think of:

- 1 - leave it be.
- 2 - only move new one deer hunts to 100's.
- 3 - allow hunters the choice to move all their 600 series points to 100 series to allow them to chase the same one deer hunts.

I can assure you this move will cost ODFW \$, as many of us will no longer buy 600 series points if the one deer hunts are moved. My immediate family alone has invested hundreds of dollars into 600 series with the sole reason being chasing a one deer hunt. I have a number of friends doing the same thing based on my recommendation.

I do appreciate the opportunity to offer my perspective and sincerely hope this reaches the commissioners for consideration.

Tim McCoy  
Tualatin, Oregon