ELK – HD 690



Draft Changes for 2022-2023 Hunting Regulations (boundary types, License Permit Types (LPT) changes, species, etc.):

Remove 699-01 youth B-license from being valid in hunting district (HD) 690

• B-license would continue to be valid in HDs 620s-630s with a quota of 200.

Biological Implication:

There are no resource concerns because the license has a very low elk harvest rate. In 2020, an estimated 3 antlerless elk were harvested in HD 690 with this license.

Social consideration:

This license was expanded to HD 690 in 2020 and allowed for youth to start hunting elk two days earlier. This was supported at the time by the Breaks Elk Working Group and the Fish & Wildlife Commission approved it with minimal public comment. Although this is a dedicated youth opportunity and serves more of a hunter recruitment tool, youth can already harvest a cow on a general license in HD 690. This change, however, would remove the 2-day early opener for youth on the license and an opportunity for a second antlerless elk on this license.

The Region 6 CAC recognized the weakness in the loss of the 2-day early season start for youth.

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