

# Deer – HD 450



**Draft Changes for 2022-2023 Hunting Regulations:** Create a 450-01 MD B-License (quota = 50, quota range 50-250).

**Biological Implications:** Limited B licenses add harvest opportunity in areas where deer numbers are stronger and limited additional antlerless harvest is available. Justification is in line with Adaptive Harvest Management (AHM) trigger guidelines. This HD would remain in the standard either-sex regulation package per mule deer AHM guidelines. Per the additional proposal to modify the HD 450/442 boundary, this would add a portion of Prairie/Breaks population management unit (PMU) (HD450) into Prairie Mtn. Foothill PMU (HD 442).

**Social Implications:** Large portion of HD is private land so access will strongly influence harvest levels. Limited additional B licenses add opportunity to harvest antlerless deer where mule deer presence is increasing and address landowner comments/concerns related to cultivated crop damage.