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To: Members of the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission

From: Brian Dreher, Terrestrial Section Manager

Subject: NW Deer Herd Management Plan Presentations for the April 6th Meeting

At the April 6 Parks and Wildlife Commission meeting, Terrestrial staff will be presenting the Northwest Region Draft Deer Herd Management Plans (HMPs). This plan is a compilation of 16 Data Analysis Units (DAUs) in the Northwest Region and is requesting approval for new objectives for 9 deer herds and objective extensions for 7 herds that have all been approved by the Parks and Wildlife Commission in the last 3 years. Brad Banulis, Northwest Senior Wildlife Biologist, pre-recorded the presentation and split it into 3 parts. The first part is the introduction to the plan identifying the process and important issues regarding deer management in Northwest Colorado. The second recording reviews the proposed objectives for 9 deer herds that have never had plans or the plans are older than 10 years. The third part of the plan reviews the 7 recently approved herd management plans that we are proposing 10 year extension so that all of the deer plans are on the same planning schedule. The pre-recorded presentations are available for viewing by both Commissioners and the public ahead of the April Commission meeting. Each part of the HMP presentation can be viewed individually by clicking the titles below. Presentations will not be shown during the meeting, but there will be 45 minutes scheduled to address questions or comments that Commissioners or the public may have. If you have questions on the draft HMP or presentations, it would be helpful if you emailed Brad Banulis, NW Senior Wildlife Biologist ([brad.banulis@state.co.us](mailto:brad.banulis@state.co.us)) so he can work with staff to prepare a thorough response.

[Northwest Region Deer Herd Management Plan: Introduction and Important Issues](#) (17:32)

[Northwest Region Deer Herd Management Plan: Proposed objectives for 9 herd management plans greater than 10 years old](#) (28:29)

[Northwest Region Deer Herd Management Plan: Proposed objectives extensions for 7 herd management plans approved within last 3 years](#) (16:10)

