

CPW COMMISSION MEETING UPDATE GARY SKIBA

COLORADO PARKS & WILDLIFE
Big Game Hunting Planner

2023-2024 DEER, ELK, PRONGHORN, BEAR & MOOSE SEASON DATES—Finalized in January each year

(Sheep and goat season dates are listed in their brochures)

Season Dates Overview	2023	2024
Archery Plains deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Sept. 2-20	Sept. 2-20
Plains deer (west of I-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 1-27 and Oct. 28-31	Oct. 1-27 and Oct. 28-31
Moose	Sept. 8-30	Sept. 8-30
Pronghorn (public only)	Sept. 17-20	Sept. 17-20
Pronghorn (other only)	Sept. 1-20	Sept. 1-20
Monday-Friday (by draw only)		
Deer/Elk (west of I-25, except Unit 140)	Sept. 9-22	Sept. 14-22
Plains deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 14-22	Oct. 14-22
Pronghorn	Sept. 13-29	Sept. 13-29
Wild Deer/Elk/Moose		
Deer/Elk	Oct. 1-14	Oct. 1-14
Deer/Elk (2nd season)	Oct. 14-28	Oct. 14-28
Deer/Elk (3rd season)	Oct. 28-Nov. 1	Oct. 28-Nov. 1
Deer/Elk (4th season)	Nov. 1-17	Nov. 1-17
Limited deer/Elk		
Plains deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 14-22	Oct. 14-22
Plains deer (west of I-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 1-14	Oct. 1-14
Large game deer (east of I-25, except Unit 140)	Oct. 1-14	Oct. 1-14
Wild Pronghorn (by draw only)	Sept. 7-22	Oct. 1-13
Black Bear Regulated (by draw)	Sept. 2-20	Sept. 2-20
Archery (over the counter and by draw)	Sept. 2-20	Sept. 2-20
Whitetail (over the counter and by draw)	Sept. 8-30	Sept. 8-30
2023 OVER-THE-COUNTER (OTC) LICENSES Leftover Limited, Unlimited & Add-On Licenses On Sale	August 1, 2023 9:00 a.m. MT	

2023 APPLICATION & DRAWS
Online and by phone

PRIMARY DRAW
Big Game Limited License Draw
Application Deadline: **April 4, 2023 8:00 p.m. MT**
Regulations Open: March 15

Payment Deadlines
• May: Sheep & Goat
• June 14: Deer, Elk, Pronghorn, Moose & Bear

SECONDARY DRAW
Deer, Elk, Pronghorn & Bear Limited License Draw
Application Deadline: **June 30, 2023 8:00 p.m. MT**
Regulations Open: June 21

Payment Deadlines
• July 23: Deer, Elk, Pronghorn, Bear

Hunting and Fishing Regulation Brochures:
Updated and released annually!
Available online at cpw.state.co.us, at sales agents statewide and at CPW parks and offices.

*Big Game (Deer, Elk, Pronghorn, Moose & Bear)—Mid February
*Sheep, Mountain Goat & Desert Bighorn & Goat—Mid February
*Fishing—Low (February)
*Moose—Low (February)
*State Recreation Lands—Early August

Small Game and Waterfowl—Early August
Regulated Wildlife—Late August
Late Employment/Work in Areas—Late October
*Turkey—Mid-December

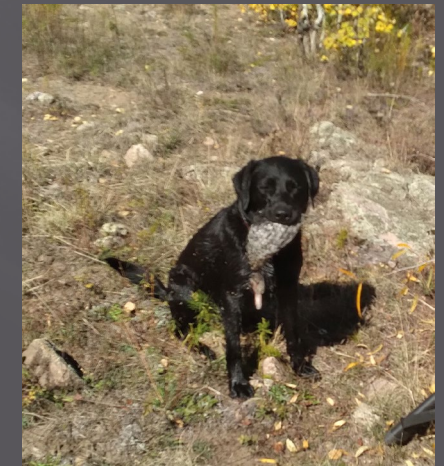
*Regulation brochures are mailed to those who applied for those species the previous year. Nonresidents can request a mailed brochure online: cpw.info/regulations/brochures

NOTE: For more detailed information, see the regulation brochures online (including corrections since printing) at cpw.info/regulations/brochures or pick up a printed brochure at sales agents.

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What has Gary been up to?

- ▣ To Yellowstone for Thanksgiving after Burlington meeting
 - Field seminar and lectures on Yellowstone ecology
- ▣ Continued meetings with hunters and hunting groups
- ▣ Sportsman's Roundtable
- ▣ Draw Working Group
- ▣ Wolverine restoration
- ▣ Bighorn westwide advocates





What I plan to work on in 2024

- ▣ Improving the license draw process
- ▣ Addressing the resident/non-resident allocation issue
- ▣ Helping move wolverine restoration forward
- ▣ Minimizing negative impacts and maximizing positive impacts of wolf restoration
- ▣ Exploring ways to expand and increase bighorn sheep populations
- ▣ Reviewing beaver management
- ▣ Spend more time hunting ducks with Raven