



# **Amendments to the Turkey Rule 19.31.16 NMAC**

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**Raton, NM**

# Purpose of Amendments

- Reduce hunting pressure on a relatively low population in GMU 33 that is primarily concentrated around Huey Wildlife Management Area
- Maintain some youth turkey hunting opportunity
- Develop a starting point to begin improving quantity of turkey in GMU 33
- Long term goal: Improve hunt quality and turkey hunter satisfaction in GMU 33



# **Change Youth Only Spring Turkey hunts on Huey Wildlife Management Area**

- **Reduce from 4 weekend hunts to 2 weekend hunts**
- **Reduce from 3 permits each hunt to 2 permits**
- **Reduce bag limit from 2 bearded turkey to 1 bearded turkey**

# **Change Youth Only Fall Turkey hunts on Huey Wildlife Management Area**

- **Reduce from 3 weekend hunts to 1 weekend hunts**
- **Keep 4 permits**
- **Keep bag limit as any 1 turkey**

# Change Fall and Spring Turkey Hunting Seasons

- Close GMU 33 to all general turkey hunting





**Questions ?**