

Use of Hunter Orange

Amending Hunting and Fishing—
Manner and Method of Taking

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Field Operations Division

Hunter Orange

- Wearing hunter orange increases visibility in the field
- Decreases the likelihood of hunting accidents
- Many states require hunter orange for some or all hunters, depending on species and weapon type



Currently in New Mexico

- Recommended for all hunters
- Required for hunters on Military Properties
- Required for rifle hunters on the Valles Caldera National Preserve



Proposed Changes

- Require licensed hunters during most big game seasons open to firearms to wear hunter orange
- Require a minimum of a vest and a hat, to ensure 360° visibility



WHAT'S NEXT?

- A draft amendment has been posted
- We will seek public input on the proposed draft
- Present the draft amendment to the Commission for recommendation and/or approval at a future Commission meeting



Discussion

