



Ibex Management

March 21, 2013

New Mexico State Game Commission Meeting

Albuquerque, NM

February 2013 hunt

- 948 licenses sold
- Department estimates 400-600 hunters hunted
- Day one harvest 158 females, 32 males = 190
- Extended the hunt to close on day 2 at the end of shooting hours
- End of hunt harvest = 284 ibex; 227 females, 57 males

Lessons learned

- Hunters and Game Wardens felt that there were too many hunters on the mountain
- 18 citations were issued: 5 waste of game, 4 bag limit violations (18-21 inch males) 1 failure to tag , 4 hunting after hunt was closed and 4 OHV

Proposed Amendments

- **Preferred Option**
 - 2013-2014 eliminate over the counter hunt
 - Population management hunt 2013-2014
 - Keep special billy drawing

- **Alternate Option**
 - Web Sale
 - Set number of licenses and hunts
 - Keep special billy drawing



Questions?