

March 26, 2015 New Mexico State Game Commission Meeting Alamogordo, NM

#### **Bear Harvest Data**

#### 2012-13 - 2014-15:

- 103 depredation kills
- 49 road kills/accidental kills
- 522 sport harvest (of 663 allowable; 79%)
- 9 zones closed (of 14 zones; 64%)

## Cougar Harvest Data

#### 2012-13 - 2014-15:

- 22 depredation kills
- 9 road kills
- 229 sport harvest (of 749 allowable; 31%)
- 2 zones closed (of 19 zones; 12%)

### Research

#### BEAR

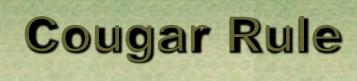
Deriving population estimates in Sangre de Cristo, Sandia, Sacramento mountain ranges. With Expansion to Gila.

### COUGAR

- Current: Studying deer/cougar interactions
- Future: Deriving population estimates

## Bear Rule

- Multiple seasons
- Spring bear hunts
- Integrating research results
- Harvest limits



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- Expand manner and method of take

# Schedule for Rule Development 2015

- March Initiation
- May Proposed Amendments
- August Final Rule

## Public Meetings

## Spring 2015

- Las Cruces
- Ruidoso
- Raton
- Silver City
- Albuquerque



# Questions?

## **Bear Harvest Data**

Year	Sport Harvest	Maximum Harvest	Depredation	Other
2014-15	453	668	48	33
2013-14	546	681	170	58
2012-13	568	641	90	56
AVG	522	663	103	49

# Cougar Harvest Data

Year	Sport Harvest	Maximum Harvest	Depredation	Road Kill	Bighorn Sheep Management
2014-15	228	749	20	9	17
2013-14	203	749	24	9	20
2012-13	256	749	23	10	31
AVG	229	749	22	9	23