New Mexico Department of Wildlife

2026-27 BEAR HARVEST LIMIT UPDATE

November 16, 2026

BMZs 1, 2, 3, 9, 10, 12, and 14 are CLOSED for the season due to a harvest limit being met.

ZONE	GMU'S IN ZONE	SUSTAINABLE HARVEST LIMIT		HARVEST AS OF November 16, 2026		REMAINING BEFORE CLOSURE		ZONE STATUS	CLOSED AS OF:
		Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female		
1	4-7, 51, 52	168	67	131	61	20	0	CLOSED	10/16/26
2	2	15	6	9	5	4	0	CLOSED	9/15/26
3	49, 50, 53	65	26	60	23	0	0	CLOSED	9/8/26
4	45, 46, 48	109	*34*	63	25	35	5	OPEN	
5	54, 55, 57	108	43	60	23	37	16	CLOSED	11/16/26
6	39-43, 47, 56, 58, 59	51	20	40	15	6	3	CLOSED	11/16/26
8	8	*9*	*3*	3	0	5	2	CLOSED	11/16/26
9	9, 10	36	14	30	16	2	0	CLOSED	8/28/26
10	12, 13, 15-18, 20-24, 26, 27	197	79	221	85	0	0	CLOSED	10/9/26
11	37, 38	36	14	14	8	18	5	OPEN	
12	34	33	13	34	11	0	1	CLOSED	8/23/26
13	36	16	6	13	4	1	1	OPEN	
14	14	19	7	13	6	4	0	CLOSED	11/3/26
	STATEWIDE	862	332	691	282				

See the Rules and Information Booklet (RIB) for specific hunting regulations. Please note that the female harvest limit for BMZ 4, and the total and female harvest limits for BMZ 8 have been reduced for the 2026-2027 season.

Bear Management Zones will be closed when 90% of the total or female sustainable harvest limit is reached, whichever comes first. This accounts for the time between harvest and reporting.

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