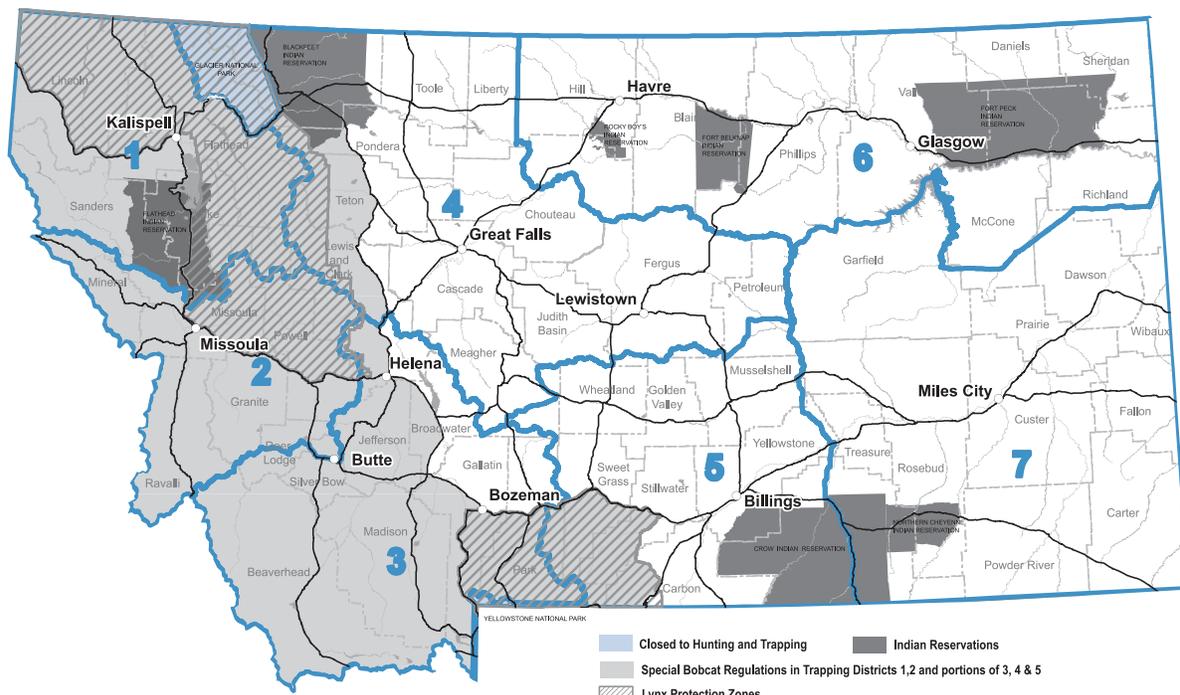


## Trapping District Boundaries



See pages 12-14 for descriptions of Lynx Protection Zones and Trapping Districts.

## Furbearer Seasons

The state is divided into legally described trapping districts or management units designated by numbers, wherein the season dates, limits and species of furbearers which may be taken are specified.

2018 Furbearer Season Dates by Trapping District							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>Beaver</b>	Nov. 1 - Apr. 15			Sept. 1 - May 31			
<b>Otter</b>	Nov. 1 - Apr. 15						
<b>Muskrat</b>	Nov. 1 - Apr. 15						
<b>Mink</b>	Nov. 1 - Apr. 15						
<b>Bobcat</b>	Dec. 1 - Feb. 15			Dec. 1 - Mar. 1			
<b>Marten</b>	Dec. 1 - Feb. 15					Closed Season	
<b>Fisher</b>	Dec. 1 - Feb. 15		Closed Season				
<b>Wolverine</b>	Closed Season						
<b>Swift Fox</b>	Closed Season					Nov. 1 - Mar. 1	Closed Season
<b>Lynx</b>	Closed Season						

### Montana Trapper Education

Resident trappers are encouraged to participate in the voluntary trapper education program in your area or the annual Youth Trapper Camp. Contact an FWP regional office for more information.

## BEAVER –



**Trapping District 1, 2 and 3 Season Dates:**  
November 1 – April 15 of the following year.

**Trapping District 4, 5, 6, and 7 Season Dates:**  
September 1 – May 31 of the following year. Exceptions include State Wildlife Management Areas and specific closures listed below. See Special Regulations.

**Limit –** Unlimited.

Beaver that have been lawfully trapped can be dispatched with a firearm. Beaver that have not been trapped cannot be taken except as outlined below in damage situations.

Owners and lessees of property being damaged by beaver or muskrat as described in MCA 87-6-602(2) may request a free permit to remove beaver or muskrat and may remove beaver or muskrat without a permit between June 1 - August 31. Please contact an FWP employee in your administrative region for further information and to request a damage control permit.

A person participating in a beaver or muskrat damage complaint must have in their possession the damage permit issued to the landowner (or a copy thereof) during control activities. Damaging beaver or muskrat may be removed by trapping or shooting. A person may possess beaver or muskrat under the damage permit.

**Closures –** All areas closed to beaver trapping are also closed to otter trapping.

**Broadwater County –** Those portions of Dry Creek, Confederate Gulch, White's Gulch, Avalanche Gulch, Eagle Creek, Crow Creek, Jenkins Creek on public land.

**Deer Lodge County –** The entire Dry Cottonwood Creek drainage.

**Gallatin County –** That portion of the Gallatin River and all of its tributaries above the Gallatin River Bridge at the Squaw Creek Ranger Station.

**Gallatin and Park Counties –** That portion of the Yellowstone River and all of its tributaries inside the Gallatin National Forest boundary above the Yellowstone River Bridge on Interstate Highway 90 at Livingston.

**Granite County** – The entire Smart Creek, Wyman Creek, Swamp Gulch Creek, and Sand Basin Creek drainages.

**Lewis and Clark County** – The Blackfoot River upstream from the mouth of Bartlett Creek including the entire Bartlett Creek drainage.

**Mineral County** – The entire Cedar Creek, Big Creek and Flatrock Creek drainages.

**Missoula and Mineral Counties** – The entire Fish Creek drainage.

**Missoula County** – Nine Mile Creek drainage above Pine Creek.

**Powell County** – The entire Pikes Peak drainage.

**Sweet Grass County** – That portion of the East Boulder River and all its tributaries from the Gallatin National Forest boundary upstream to the headwaters of the East Boulder River.

**Sweet Grass and Park Counties** – That portion of the Main Boulder River and all its tributaries from the mouth of Falls Creek upstream to the headwaters of the Main Boulder River.

**Teton County** – The entire Teton drainage including all tributaries of the South, Middle, West and North Forks of the Teton River, downstream to the National Forest boundary.

### Beaver Closures and Special Management Areas



## BOBCAT –

**Trapping District 1, 2 and 3 Season Dates:** December 1 – February 15 of the following year. A trapping license must be purchased and validated for bobcat by Nov 30.



**Trapping District 4, 5, 6 and 7 Season Dates:** December 1 – March 1 of the following year. License must be purchased and validated for bobcat no later than November 30.

Special Bobcat Regulations in Trapping Districts 1, 2 and portions of 3, 4 & 5 – To minimize the incidental capture of lynx, the following special bobcat regulations apply on public lands in Trapping Districts 1, 2 and portions of 3, 4 & 5: Bobcat Snares – All snares in bobcat sets must be equipped with a relaxing device. Additional restrictions apply to areas now designated as Lynx Protection Zones, see those rules on page 4, map on page 8 and descriptions on page 12.

**Limit** – A person may possess no more than a total of seven (7) bobcats per season from Trapping Districts 1, 2 and 3 in combination. A person may take and possess four (4) bobcats per season from Trapping District 1. A person may take and possess seven (7) bobcats per season from Trapping District 2. A person may take and possess five (5) bobcats per season from Trapping District 3. A person may take and possess an unlimited number of bobcats from Trapping Districts 4, 5, 6 or 7. The bobcat season on the Flathead Indian Reservation is closed.

**Quotas** – Furbearer seasons will close in 48 hours when a species quota is reached or approached prior to the end of the regular season. Current harvest status information may be obtained by calling 1-800-711-8727 or 406-444-9557, 24 hours a day or the FWP website at <http://fwp.mt.gov>. The toll free line and website are updated by 1 p.m. (MST) every day.

Trapping District	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>Bobcat Quota</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>600</b>

**Hunting Season** – Bobcat may be taken by hunting per MCA 87-2-601. Bobcat hunting is open each day one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset during the open season. Bobcat chasing during the hunting season is open each day one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. Bobcats may not be hunted or taken except during bobcat hunting hours.

Dogs may be used to take bobcat as per Montana law, but no other animals defined by law as furbearing animals. Dogs may be used to hunt or chase bobcats within prescribed hunting hours and seasons.

Persons with a Trapper License validated for bobcat may lawfully chase bobcats during the open hunting season and anytime after the season is closed in Trapping Districts 1, 2, 3 until February 15 or Trapping Districts 4, 5, 6, 7 until March 1. A trapper license must be purchased and validated for bobcat no later than November 30 of the current license year to be valid.

Nonresidents may not hunt or chase bobcats. Residents must possess a valid trappers license to hunt and chase bobcats or an RHTL to only chase bobcats.

Landowner permission is required to hunt on private land, including releasing dogs or chasing bobcats during the chase-only season.

### Hound Training Season –

**Trapping District 1, 2 and 3:** February 16 – April 14.

**Trapping District 4, 5, 6 and 7:** March 2 – April 14.

A trapper license must be purchased and validated for bobcat by November 30 of the current license year to be valid for chasing bobcat. Bobcat chasing is open each day one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. Dogs may be used to chase bobcats within prescribed seasons. All Wildlife Management Areas, National Wildlife Refuges and Deer, Elk and Mountain Lion Hunting District 282 are closed to the Bobcat Hound Training Season.

It is prohibited for a hound handler or bobcat hunter to release dogs on a bobcat track, or allow dogs to chase a bobcat, or hold a bobcat at bay, when the season is not open to hunting or chasing bobcats.

Bobcats may not be trapped to be later released for hunting and/or chasing with dogs. Wild furbearers captured alive must be immediately killed or released. It is unlawful for a person to possess or transport wild furbearers alive as per Montana law.

**Reporting** – Trappers and hunters are required to personally report their bobcat harvest within 24 hours by calling the statewide Fish, Wildlife & Parks reporting line at 1-877-FWP-WILD (1-877-397-9453 or 406-444-0356) so that FWP can monitor quota levels. Trappers are required to provide: name, telephone number, ALS number, species, date of harvest, trapping district, county, specific location (description), and sex when reporting a furbearer harvest. When reporting a furbearer harvest, it is unlawful to subscribe to or make any statement that is materially false.

**Pelt Tagging** – Trappers and hunters are required to personally present the pelt and lower jaws of each bobcat for tagging to a designated Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) employee within ten (10) days after harvest. Trappers are required to provide harvest registration data for bobcat at the time the pelt is presented for tagging. Trappers and hunters unable to comply with the pelt tagging requirement due to special circumstances or the unavailability of local FWP personnel must still report their pelts

within ten (10) days after harvest by contacting a regional office to make arrangements for tagging by FWP personnel. Pelts not presented or reported to FWP personnel within ten (10) days of harvest are subject to confiscation.

**Turning in the Lower Jaw** – Pelt tags will not be issued until hunters or trappers harvesting a bobcat have provided a **cleaned and air dried** complete (both sides) lower jaw for aging. Aging of harvested bobcats is important management information that is used in setting harvest quotas. Before you bring in the lower jaw of a bobcat please remove as much flesh as possible. You should also allow the jaw to dry in the open air. Do not use a storage or transport container made of plastic—use a paper bag or cardboard box instead. This will help prevent the jaw from decaying. The jaw will not be returned.

**Export** – A federal export permit is required in addition to a Montana CITES tag before the pelts of bobcat may be exported from the United States. For general information on federal export requirements contact: Wildlife Inspector, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Office of Law Enforcement, P.O. Box 165, 39825 Interstate 15, Sweetgrass, MT 59484 or call (406) 335-4350 or FAX (406) 335-4351.

**FISHER –**

**Fisher Management Unit Season Dates:**

December 1 – February 15 of the following year. Season will close with 48 hours notice upon reaching the Fisher Management Unit (FMU) quota or female subquota, or on the season closure date, whichever occurs first.



**Bitterroot FMU** – Portion of Trapping District 2: Mineral and Ravalli Counties, and that portion of Missoula County that is south of Interstate 90.

**Cabinet FMU** – Portions of Trapping Districts 1 and 2: Sanders County and that portion of Lincoln County that is south and west of Highway 2.

**Yaak FMU** – Portion of Trapping District 1: That portion of Lincoln County that is north and east of Highway 2.

**Continental Divide FMU** – Portions of Trapping Districts 1 and 2: All of Flathead, Lake, Powell, and Granite Counties, that portion of Missoula County that is north of Interstate 90, and all portions of Lewis and Clark, Deer Lodge and Silver Bow Counties that are west of the Continental Divide.

**Fisher Trappers** - See Lynx Protection Zone rules on page 4 that apply to public lands in Trapping Districts 1, 2 and portions of 3, 4, and 5.

**Limit** – A person may take and possess one (1) fisher per season.

**Fisher Quotas** – Furbearer seasons will close in 48 hours when a species quota is reached or approached prior to the end of the regular season. Current harvest status information may be obtained by calling 1-800-711-8727 or 406-444-9557, 24 hours a day or the FWP website at [fwp.mt.gov](http://fwp.mt.gov). The toll free line and website are updated by 1 p.m. (MST) every day.

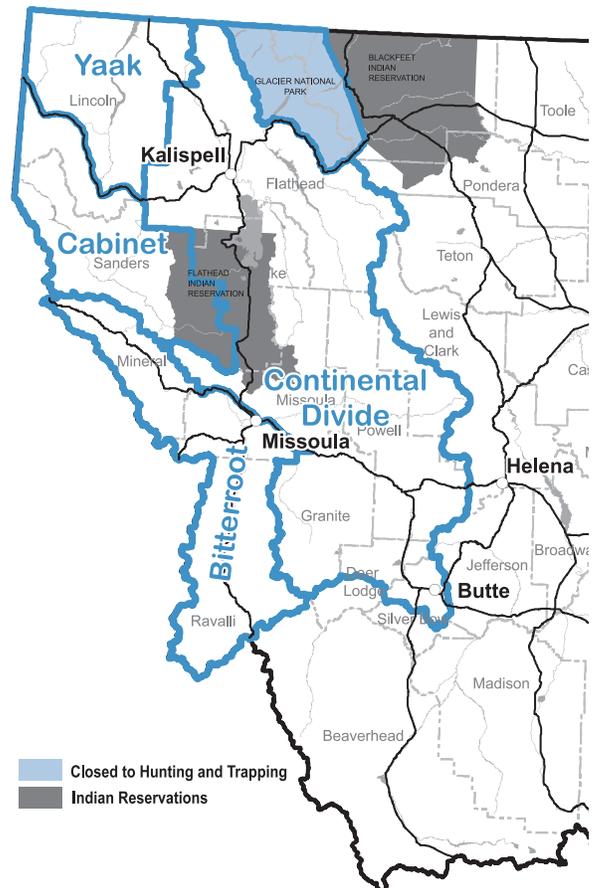
FMU	Bitterroot	Cabinet	Yaak	Continental Divide
<b>Fisher Quota</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Female Subquota</b>	<b>1</b>			

**Reporting** – Trappers are required to personally report their fisher harvest within 24 hours by calling the statewide Fish, Wildlife & Parks reporting line at 1-877-FWP-WILD (1-877-397-9453) or 406-444-0356 so that FWP can monitor quota levels. Trappers are required to provide: name, telephone number, ALS number, species, date of harvest, trapping district, county, specific location (description), and sex when reporting a furbearer harvest. When reporting a furbearer harvest, it is unlawful to subscribe to or make any statement that is materially false.

**Pelt Tagging** – Trappers are required to personally present the pelts of fisher for tagging to a designated Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) employee within ten (10) days after harvest. Trappers are required to provide harvest registration data for fisher at the time the pelt is presented for tagging. Trappers unable to comply with the pelt tagging requirement due to special circumstances or the unavailability of local FWP personnel must still report their pelts within ten (10) days after harvest by contacting a regional office to make arrangements for tagging by FWP personnel. Pelts not presented or reported to FWP personnel within ten (10) days of harvest are subject to confiscation.

**Carcasses** – It is mandatory that the entire and intact carcass of all fisher be turned into Fish, Wildlife & Parks in good condition, at the time the pelt is presented for tagging. The skulls will be retained by Fish, Wildlife & Parks for processing and examination and then returned to the owner if requested. Good condition is defined as fresh or frozen and securely wrapped in such a manner as to have prevented decomposition in order that all tissue samples are suitable for lab analysis. Any fisher pelt that is presented for tagging without the carcass in good condition shall be subject to confiscation.

**Fisher Management Unit Map**



## LYNX – CLOSED SEASON

**Lynx are protected by Federal law under the Endangered Species Act** (see Lynx Protection Zone section on page 4 for details).



Avoid placing sets that might attract lynx.

Accidentally trapped lynx that are uninjured must be released immediately and the incident must be reported to a designated Fish, Wildlife & Parks employee within **24 hours** of release. If a lynx is injured, trappers must immediately notify a designated FWP employee or an FWP Regional Office, to determine disposition and/or collection of the animal.

## MARTEN –

**Trapping District 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 Season Dates:** December 1 – February 15 of the following year.



**Marten Trappers** - See Lynx Protection Zone rules on page 4 that apply to public lands in Trapping Districts 1, 2 and portions of 3, 4, and 5.

**Avoid Incidental Capture of Fisher** – Marten trappers are encouraged to use cubby boxes with a closed front and 2 ½ inch x 2 ½ inch entrance hole to help avoid incidental catch of fisher.

**Limit** – Unlimited.

**Pelt Tagging** – Trappers are required to personally present the pelts of marten for tagging to a designated Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) employee within ten (10) days after the close of the season. Trappers are required to provide harvest registration data for marten at the time the pelt is presented for tagging. Trappers unable to comply with the pelt tagging requirement due to special circumstances or the unavailability of local FWP personnel must still report their pelts within ten (10) days after the season closes by contacting a regional office to make arrangements for tagging by FWP personnel. Pelts not presented or reported to FWP personnel within ten (10) days after the end of the season are subject to confiscation.

## MINK –

**Statewide Season Dates:** November 1 – April 15 of the following year except state Wildlife Management Areas and specific closures (See Special Regulations).



**Limit** – Unlimited.

## MUSKRAT –

**Statewide Season Dates:** November 1 – April 15 of the following year, except state Wildlife Management Areas and specific closures (See Special Regulations).



**Limit** – Unlimited.

Traps may be set in muskrat houses provided the part removed is replaced after insertion of the trap and after removal of the trap. It is unlawful for any person to willfully destroy, leave open or partially destroy a muskrat house as per Montana law.

Owners and lessees of property being damaged by beaver or muskrat as described in MCA 87-6-602(2) may request a free permit to remove beaver or muskrat and may remove beaver or muskrat without a permit between June 1 - August 31. Please contact an FWP employee in your administrative region for further information and to request a damage control permit.

A person participating in a beaver or muskrat damage complaint must have in their possession the damage permit issued to the landowner (or a copy thereof) during control activities. Damaging beaver or muskrat may be removed by trapping or shooting. A person may possess beaver or muskrat under the damage permit.

## OTTER –

**Statewide Season Dates:** November 1 – April 15 of the following year, except state Wildlife Management Areas and specific closures. See Special Regulations. Season will close with 48 hours notice upon reaching the trapping district quota, or on the season closure date, whichever occurs first.



**Limit** – A person may take and possess two (2) otter per season, except in Regions 1 and 2 a person may take and possess three (3) otter.

**Quotas** – Furbearer seasons will close in 48 hours when a species quota is reached or approached prior to the end of the regular season. Current harvest status information may be obtained by calling 1-800-711-8727 or 406-444-9557, 24 hours a day or the FWP website at <http://fwp.mt.gov>. The toll free line and website are updated by 1 p.m. (MST) every day.

Trapping District	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Otter Quota	28	25	36	8	4	2	4

**Closures** – All areas closed to beaver trapping are also closed to otter trapping. See the list of closure areas under the beaver season section.

**Reporting** – Trappers are required to personally report their otter harvest within 24 hours by calling the statewide Fish, Wildlife & Parks reporting line at 1-877-FWP-WILD (1-877-397-9453) or 406-444-0356 so that FWP can monitor quota levels. Trappers are required to provide: name, telephone number, ALS number, species, date of harvest, trapping district, county, specific location (description), and sex when reporting a furbearer harvest. When reporting a furbearer harvest, it is unlawful to subscribe to or make any statement that is materially false.

**Pelt Tagging** – Trappers are required to personally present the pelts of otter for tagging to a designated Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) employee within ten (10) days after harvest. Trappers are required to provide harvest registration data for otter at the time the pelt is presented for tagging. Trappers unable to comply with the pelt tagging requirement due to special circumstances or the unavailability of local FWP personnel must still report their pelts within ten (10) days after harvest by contacting a regional office to make arrangements for tagging by FWP personnel. Pelts not presented or reported to FWP personnel within ten (10) days of harvest are subject to confiscation.

**Turning in the Lower Jaw** – Pelt tags will not be issued until hunters or trappers harvesting an otter have provided a **cleaned and air dried** complete (both sides) lower jaw for aging. Aging of harvested otters is important management information that is used in setting harvest quotas. Before you bring in the lower jaw of an otter please remove as much flesh as possible. You should also allow the jaw to dry in the open air. Do not use a storage or transport container made of plastic—use a paper bag or cardboard box instead. This will help prevent the jaw from decaying. The jaw will not be returned.

**Export** – A federal export permit is required, in addition to a Montana CITES tag, before the pelts of otter may be exported from the United States. For general information on federal export requirements contact: Wildlife Inspector, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Office of Law Enforcement, P.O. Box 165, 39825 Interstate 15, Sweetgrass, MT 59484 or call (406) 335-4350 or FAX (406) 335-4351.

### Recommendations to avoid incidental harvest of otter –

Otter inhabit rivers, streams, lakes, wetlands and ponds. If the otter season has closed, avoid trapping where otter sign is evident. Look for tracks and scat while scouting or setting an area for beaver. When placing any kind of trap along a beaver pond, avoid putting sets near the dam crossover or near the inlet of the pond. One relatively otter-safe set utilizes a castor mound on the edge of a pond. The castor scent will attract beaver while otter will generally be uninterested. Also, avoid setting near abandoned beaver lodges and bank dens. These sets are not productive for beaver, and otter will readily use them. Otter generally avoid areas where beaver are active, so make sets as close as possible to active lodges.



Size 330 body-gripping traps (Conibears) are one of the most commonly used beaver traps. The trap is also very effective for otter. With some minor alterations the 330 can be set to minimize accidental otter captures. Move the trigger as far as you can to one side of the trap and bend the trigger wires close together. You can also shorten the trigger length to four to five inches by cutting or bending the wires. Since otter are more slender than beaver, otter often glide through the trap without tripping the trigger. Beaver, which tend to be larger and slightly less agile, will likely hit the release trigger while moving through the trap.

If you use foothold traps to capture beaver, do not use them on dam crossovers, since otter often use these same areas. Castor mound sets with the trap set fairly deep are less likely to catch otter.

### SWIFT FOX –

#### Portion of Trapping District 6 Open to Swift Fox (see description, page 14)

**Season Dates:** November 1 – March 1 of the following year. Season will close with 48 hours notice upon reaching the trapping district quota, or on the season closure date, whichever occurs first.

**Limit –** A person may take and possess three (3) swift fox per season.

**Swift Fox Quota: 10.**

**Quotas –** Furbearer seasons will close in 48 hours when a species quota is reached or approached prior to the end of the regular season. Current harvest status information may be obtained by calling 1-800-711-8727 or 406-444-9557, 24 hours a day or the FWP website at <http://fwp.mt.gov>. The toll free line and website are updated by 1 p.m. (MST) every day.

**Reporting –** Trappers are required to personally report their swift fox harvest within 24 hours by calling the statewide Fish, Wildlife & Parks reporting line at 1-877-FWP-WILD (1-877-397-9453) or 406-444-0356 so that FWP can monitor quota levels. Trappers are required to provide: name, telephone number, ALS number, species, date of harvest, trapping district, county, specific location (description), and sex when reporting a furbearer harvest. When reporting a furbearer harvest, it is unlawful to subscribe to or make any statement that is materially false.

**Pelt Tagging –** Trappers are required to personally present the pelts of swift fox for tagging to a designated Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) employee within ten (10) days after harvest. Trappers are required to provide harvest registration data for swift fox at the time the pelt is presented for tagging. Trappers unable to comply with the pelt tagging requirement due to special circumstances or the unavailability of local FWP personnel must still report their pelts within ten (10) days after harvest by contacting a regional office to make arrangements for tagging by FWP personnel. Pelts not presented or reported to FWP personnel within ten (10) days of harvest are subject to confiscation.



**Turning in the Lower Jaw –** Pelt tags will not be issued until hunters or trappers harvesting a swift fox have provided a **cleaned and air dried** complete (both sides) lower jaw for aging. Aging of harvested swift foxes is important management information that is used in setting harvest quotas. Bring clean swift fox jaws. Before you bring in the lower jaw of a swift fox please remove as much flesh as possible. You should also allow the jaw to dry in the open air. Do not use a storage or transport container made of plastic—use a paper bag or cardboard box instead. This will help prevent the jaw from decaying. The jaw will not be returned.

### WOLVERINE – 0 QUOTA – NO HARVEST

There is no trapping or harvest of wolverine allowed at this time.



**Incidental Take –** Trappers who accidentally capture a furbearer when the season is closed or trapper limit is met must notify a designated Fish, Wildlife & Parks employee residing in the trapping district where the animal was taken within **24 hours** to arrange collection of the animal if the animal cannot be released uninjured. It is unlawful for any person to retain possession of an incidentally taken furbearer as per Montana law.

### Lynx Protection Zone Descriptions

#### Greater Yellowstone Area –

Those portions of Gallatin, Park, Sweet Grass, Stillwater and Carbon Counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at the intersection of Highway 191 and the Montana/Wyoming boundary, then northerly along said highway to its intersection with Interstate 90, then easterly along said interstate to its intersection with Highway 78, then southerly along said highway to its intersection with Highway 212, then southerly along said highway to its intersection with the western edge of Section 20 (T8S, R20E), then easterly along the USFS/private land boundary to the northeast corner of the SE ¼ of Section 22 (T8S, R20E), then southerly along the USFS/private land boundary to its intersection with the Montana/Wyoming boundary, then west along said boundary to the point of beginning.

#### Northwest Montana –

Those portions of Lincoln, Flathead, Glacier, Lake, Missoula, Granite, Powell, Lewis and Clark, Teton and Pondera Counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at the westernmost point of the Montana/Canada boundary, then south along the Montana/Idaho boundary to its intersection with Highway 2, then southeasterly along said highway to its intersection with Highway 35, then southerly along said highway to its intersection Highway 93, then southerly along said highway to its intersection with Interstate 90, the easterly along said interstate to its intersection with Highway 12, then easterly along said highway to MacDonald Pass, then northerly along the USFS/private land boundary and then the Glacier National Park/Blackfeet Reservation boundary to the Montana/Canada boundary, then westerly along said boundary to the point of beginning.

#### RESPECT PRIVATE PROPERTY



- Leave gates as you find them
- Drive only on established roads or trails
- Do not leave any litter
- Be careful not to start any fires
- Wash vehicles to prevent spread of noxious weeds
- Obey all ranch rules
- Report any suspicious violations
- Remember to say thanks

## Trapping District Descriptions

### District 1 –

Those portions of Flathead, Lake, Lincoln, Lewis and Clark, Mineral, Missoula, Powell and Sanders counties within the following described boundary: Beginning at a point where the Continental Divide intersects with the Glacier National Park boundary at Marias Pass, then westerly and northerly along the Glacier National Park boundary to the Canadian line, then westerly along said line to the Montana-Idaho border, then southerly along said border to its junction with the Sanders-Mineral County line, then easterly along said county line to Trail 404 near Combest Peak, then east on Trail 404 to Miller Creek Loop Road, then along Miller Creek and Forest Road 7593 to Patrick's Knob, then southerly on Trail 1714 to Montana Route 135, then easterly along said route to Trail 242, then southerly along said trail to Clark Fork-Ninemile Divide, then easterly along said divide and Sanders County line to the Flathead Indian Reservation, then southeasterly and northeasterly along said Reservation boundary to the Swan-Clearwater Divide, then easterly and northerly along said divide to the Blackfoot-Flathead Divide at Wolverine Peak, then south, east and north along said divide to the Continental Divide at Triple Divide Mountain, then northerly along said divide to the Glacier National Park boundary at Marias Pass, the point of beginning.

### District 2 –

Those portions of Deer Lodge, Granite, Lewis and Clark, Mineral, Missoula, Powell, Ravalli and Silver Bow Counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Lookout Pass on the Montana-Idaho border, then in an easterly direction along the Mineral County-Sanders County line to U.S. Forest Service Trail 404 near Combest Peak, then east on said trail to Miller Creek Loop Forest Service Road, then east along said road to its junction with U.S. Forest Service Trail 415, then south and east on said trail to its junction with U.S. Forest Service Trail 1714, then south on said trail to the Clark Fork River at the Cascade Campground, then south along Forest Service Trail 242 to the Ninemile-Seigel Creek Divide, then easterly along said divide to the Flathead Indian Reservation, then southeasterly and northeasterly along said reservation boundary to the Swan-Clearwater Divide, then easterly and northerly along said divide to the Blackfoot-Flathead Divide, then southerly, easterly and northerly along said divide to the Continental Divide at Triple Divide Mountain, then southeasterly along said divide to Interstate 15, then in a southerly direction along said interstate to its junction with Interstate 90 at Butte, then west and north along said interstate to its junction with State Route 1, northwesterly along said highway to State Route 274 (Mill Creek Road), then southerly along said road to the Continental Divide, then southwestwesterly along said divide to the Montana-Idaho border, then westerly and northerly along said border to Lookout Pass, the point of beginning.

### District 3 –

Those portions of Beaverhead, Broadwater, Deer Lodge, Gallatin, Jefferson, Lewis and Clark, Madison, Meagher, Park, Silver Bow and Sweet Grass Counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at Mt. Tiny on the Continental Divide, then southwestwesterly along said divide to the Montana-Idaho border, then southerly and easterly along said border to the Yellowstone National Park boundary, then northerly and easterly along said boundary to the Stillwater-Yellowstone River Divide, then northwesterly along said divide to Columbine Pass and the Boulder River-Yellowstone River divide, then westerly and northerly along said divide to Elephant Head Mountain, then north down Mission Creek to the Yellowstone River, then east down the south bank of said river to the mouth of Duck Creek, then northwesterly along the west bank of said creek to the West Fork of Duck Creek then northwesterly along the west bank of said creek to the Shields-Yellowstone River Divide (Crazy Mountain Divide), then northerly and westerly along said divide to the Shields-Musselshell River Divide, then westerly along said divide to the Smith-Shields River Divide and the head of the Middle Fork

of Sixteen Mile Creek, then westerly down the south bank of said creek to the Meagher-Gallatin County line, then west along said line to the Broadwater-Meagher county line, then northwesterly along said line to the Broadwater-Lewis and Clark – Meagher County line, then northwesterly along the Lewis and Clark – Meagher County line until its intersection with USFS Rd #4143, then westerly along said road to the Beaver Creek Road (USFS Road #138), then northwesterly along said road to the Gates of the Mountains Wilderness boundary, then north and west along said line to the posted Beartooth WMA boundary fence near Humps cabin, then southwestwesterly along the Willow Creek-Elkhorn Creek Divide, then southwestwesterly along said divide to Willow Mountain, then along the Meriwether Canyon-Willow Creek divide, then southwestwesterly down the Meriwether Canyon-Mann Gulch Divide to the mouth of Meriwether Canyon on the east side of the Missouri River, then northerly up Holter Lake and the east shore of the Missouri River to Interstate -15, then southerly along said interstate to the junction with US Highway 287, then south on said highway to the bridge over Lyons Creek, then up said creek and the North Fork of Lyons Creek to the Continental Divide, then southeasterly along said divide to Interstate 15, then in a southerly direction along said interstate to its junction with Interstate 90 at Butte, then westerly and northerly along said interstate to its junction with State Route 1, then northwesterly along said highway to State Route 274 (Mill Creek Road), then southerly along said route to the Continental Divide, then southwestwesterly along said divide to Mt. Tiny, the point of beginning.

**Trail Creek Beaver Management Area –** Joseph Creek from Chief Joseph Pass to the confluence with Trail Creek and Trail Creek downstream of this confluence to the National Forest boundary.

**Upper Madison Beaver Management Area –** Those portions of Gallatin and Madison counties that include all of the Madison River drainage upstream from the Earthquake Lake Dam described as follows: Beginning at the outlet of Earthquake Lake Dam on the Madison River, then northerly to US Highway 287, then northeasterly to the intersection of Rock Creek, then up said creek to the Beaverhead-Gallatin National Forest boundary, then northerly on said boundary to the Madison River-Gallatin River divide, then easterly along said divide to the western boundary of Yellowstone National Park, then south along said boundary to the Montana-Idaho state line northerly and westerly to its intersection with Highway 87, then along highway 287 to the Madison River, easterly along said river to the outlet of Earthquake Lake Dam, the point of beginning.

### District 4 –

Those portions of Cascade, Chouteau, Fergus, Glacier, Hill, Judith Basin, Lewis and Clark, Liberty, Meagher, Petroleum, Pondera, Teton and Toole counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at a point where the eastern boundary of Glacier National Park intersects the United States-Canada Boundary, then east along said boundary to the Liberty-Hill County line, then south on said line to the Marias River, then southerly along the east bank of said river to the Missouri River, then easterly along the south bank of said river to the Fort Peck Reservoir, then easterly and southerly along the south edge of said reservoir to the Musselshell River, then southerly along the west bank of said river to State Route 200, then west along said route to Winnett, then southwestwesterly on the Winnett to Roundup Road (FAS 244) to its junction with US Highway 87, then north on said highway approximately 4 miles to Flat Willow Creek, then westerly up said creek to the South Fork of Flat Willow Creek, then westerly up said creek to the Red Hill Road, then south along said road to the Snowy Mountain Divide, then westerly along said divide to the head of Meadow Creek, then westerly down said creek to US Highway 191, then south on said highway to the Wheatland- Judith Basin county line, then westerly on said line and subsequently continuing westerly along the Meagher-Judith Basin County line to its junction with the Spring Creek-Whitetail Creek Road (Forest Service Road #274), then south on this road to US Highway 12, then southeasterly on said

highway to its junction with Route 294, then southwesterly on said route to its junction with US Highway 89, then southerly along said highway to Sixteen-Mile Creek (near Ringling), then southwesterly along north bank of said creek to the Meagher-Gallatin County line, then west along said line to the Broadwater-Meagher county line, then northwesterly along said line to the Broadwater-Lewis and Clark – Meagher County line, then northwesterly along the Lewis and Clark – Meagher County line until its intersection with USFS Rd #4143, then westerly along said road to the Beaver Creek Road (USFS Road #138), then northwesterly along said road to the Gates of the Mountains Wilderness boundary, then north and west along said line to the posted Beartooth WMA boundary fence near Hump Cabin, then southwesterly along the Willow Creek-Elkhorn Creek-Porcupine Creek divide, then southwesterly along said divide to Willow Mountain, then along the Meriwether Canyon-Willow Creek divide, then southwesterly down the Meriwether Canyon-Mann Gulch divide to the mouth of Meriwether Canyon on the east side of the Missouri River, then northerly up Holter Lake and the east shore of the Missouri River to Interstate 15, then southerly along said interstate to the junction with US Highway 287, then south on said highway to the bridge over Lyons Creek, then up said creek and the North Fork of Lyons Creek to the Continental Divide, then northerly along said divide to the Glacier National Park boundary, then easterly and northerly along said boundary to the United States-Canada boundary, the point of beginning.

#### **District 5 –**

Those portions of Big Horn, Carbon, Fergus, Golden Valley, Meagher, Musselshell, Park, Petroleum, Stillwater, Sweet Grass, Treasure, Wheatland and Yellowstone counties lying within the following described boundaries: Beginning at Wolverine Peak where the Stillwater-Yellowstone River Divide meets with the Yellowstone National Park boundary, then northwesterly along said divide to Columbine Pass and the Boulder River-Yellowstone River Divide, then westerly and northerly along said divide to Elephant Head Mountain, then north down Mission Creek to the Yellowstone River, then east down the south bank of said river to the mouth of Duck Creek, then northwesterly along the west bank of said creek to the West Fork of Duck Creek, then northwesterly along the west bank of said creek to the Shields-Yellowstone River Divide (Crazy Mountain Divide), then northerly and westerly along said divide to the Shields-Musselshell River Divide, then westerly along said divide to the Smith-Shields River Divide and the head of the Middle Fork of Sixteen Mile Creek, then westerly down the south bank of said creek to Sixteen Mile Creek, then northwesterly along the south bank of said creek to US Highway 89, then north on said highway to its junction with Route 294, then northeasterly on said route to its junction with US Highway 12, then northwesterly on said highway to its junction with the Spring Creek-Whitetail Creek Road (Forest Service Road #274), then north on said road to the Meagher-Judith Basin county line, then easterly along said line and subsequently continuing easterly along the Wheatland-Judith Basin county line to its junction with US Highway 191, then northerly on said highway to its junction with Meadow Creek near Garniel, then northeasterly along said creek to the Snowy Mountain Divide, then easterly along said divide to its intersection with the Red Hill Road, then north along said road to South Fork Flatwillow Creek, then easterly along said creek to Flatwillow Creek, then easterly along said creek to US Highway 87, then southerly along said highway to Route 244, then northerly along said route to Winnett, then east along US Highway 200 to the Musselshell River, then south along the east bank of said river to the Melstone-Custer Road bridge, then south along the Melstone-Custer Road to Interstate 94 near Custer, then east along said interstate to State Route 47, then south along said route to Interstate 90 at Hardin, then south along said interstate to the Montana-Wyoming state line, then westerly along said line to the Yellowstone National Park Boundary, then northerly and westerly along said boundary to the Stillwater-Yellowstone River divide at Wolverine Peak, the point of beginning.

#### **Special Regulations in Trapping Districts 1, 2 and portions of 3,**

**4 & 5 –** Those portions of Trapping Districts 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 within the following described boundary: From the Montana-Idaho state line at the Canada border then east along said border to the Glacier National Park boundary and south and east along said boundary to Marias Pass then easterly along US Highway 2 to its intersection with US Highway 89 in Browning and then southeasterly along said highway to its intersection with US Highway 287 at Choteau and then southerly along said highway to its intersection with Interstate 90 near Three Forks and then easterly along said interstate to its intersection with State Route 78 at Columbus and then southerly along said route to its intersection with US Highway 212 at Red Lodge and then southerly along said route to the Montana-Wyoming state line and then along said state line to the Yellowstone National Park boundary and then west and south along that boundary to the Montana-Idaho state line and then westerly and northerly along said state line to the US-Canada border, the point of beginning.

#### **District 6 –**

Those portions of Blaine, Chouteau, Daniels, Garfield, Hill, McCone, Phillips, Richland, Roosevelt, Sheridan and Valley counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at a point where State Route 233 joins the Canadian Line (near the port of Willow Creek), then west along said border to the Hill-Liberty county line, then south along said line to the Marias River, then southerly along the east bank of said river to the Missouri River, then easterly along the south bank of said river to the Fort Peck Powerhouse, then southerly along the east shore of Fort Peck Reservoir to Big Dry Creek, then south along said creek to State Route 200, then east and northeast along said route to the North Dakota border, then north along said border to the Canadian border, then west along said border to State Route 233, the point of beginning.

#### **Portion of Trapping District 6 for Swift Fox Season –**

Those portions of Blaine, Hill, Phillips, and Valley counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at a point where State Route 233 joins the Canadian Line (near the port of Willow Creek), then west along said border to the Hill-Liberty county line, then south along said line to US Highway 2, then east along said route to the junction with Route 537 at Hinsdale, then north along said route to the Milk River and the confluence with Rock Creek, then north along said creek to the Canadian border, then west along said border to State Route 233, the point of beginning.

#### **District 7 –**

Those portions of Bighorn, Carter, Custer, Dawson, Fallon, Garfield, McCone, Musselshell, Powder River, Prairie, Richland, Rosebud, Treasure, Yellowstone and Wibaux Counties lying within the following described boundary: Beginning at the junction of State Route 47 and Interstate 94, then west along said interstate to the intersection with the Melstone-Custer Road near Custer, then north along said road to Melstone, then east along US Highway 12 to the Musselshell River bridge, then north along the east bank of the Musselshell River to the Missouri River, then east and northeast down said river to the Fort Peck Powerhouse, then southerly along the east shore of Fort Peck Reservoir to Big Dry Creek, then south up said creek to Little Dry Creek, then east along State Route 200 to the Montana-North Dakota state line, then south to the Montana-Wyoming state line, then west along said state line to Interstate 90, then north along said interstate to State Route 47, then north along said state route to Interstate 94, the point of beginning.

## General Information

### Methods for Improving Efficiency, Selectivity and Animal Welfare

- Use pan tension devices to avoid non-target catches.
- Use extra swivels and center-mounted chains to hold a higher percentage of animals and reduce the chance of injuries occurring.
- Use modern positioning techniques at dirt hole sets to increase selectivity.
- Use short trap chains for most land sets and especially those targeted for fox and coyote.
- Use guarded “stop-loss” traps for muskrats in shallow water or dry land sets.
- Use dispatching methods that are quick and humane.
- Use trap sizes that are appropriate for the target species—foot pad catches are desirable for fox, coyote, raccoon, and most other animals because they cause fewer injuries.
- Use baits and lures that attract target species but not other animals.
- Use cage, box or species-specific traps near barns, outbuildings, and other locations where domestic animals may be present.
- Use common sense in choosing set locations that maximize opportunities to catch target species and minimize opportunities to catch other animals.
- Use secure methods of attaching traps - tailor methods to hold the largest species occurring in the area in case of an incidental capture.
- Use traps with laminated jaws where the risk of non-target catches is high.
- Use discretion and select trap site placement carefully when setting body-gripping traps.
- Use time to your advantage—do not set more traps than you can handle.
- Use early morning trap checks to reduce the time an animal is held, reduce its chances of pulling out, and avoid theft of traps and animals.

### Breakaway Snares

Following are examples of commercially manufactured breakaway lock designs that meet regulation requirements to release at 350 pounds of force or less:

- Amberg Lock with release ferrule
- Gregerson Lock Snares
- Snare Shop - N. D. Lock and Stop
- Breakaway J-Hooks
- Breakaway S-Hooks
- Thompson Snares - Thompson Release Lock

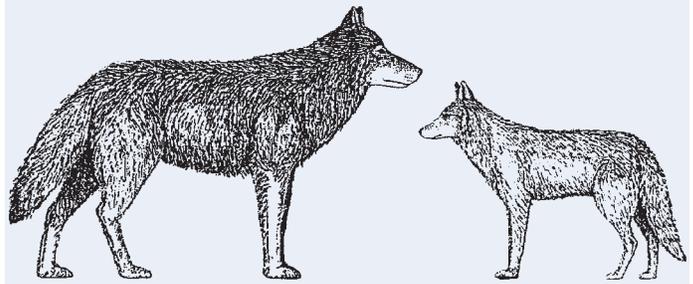
For information on dealers of breakaway lock devices and snares, contact the FWP State Furbearer Coordinator at 406-444-0042.

### Relaxing Snares

A relaxing snare has a lock which allows the snare loop to loosen when an animal stops pulling against it. Below is a partial list of locks that are commercially available through snare and trap dealers and are considered relaxing locks, if they are not modified and are assembled with the appropriate snare cable diameter. Any alteration of a lock from its manufactured condition may affect performance and again, the cable size must match the lock to avoid the cable from becoming bound up at the lock.

- Relax-A-Lock
- Dakota Line's Low Pro
- Relaxing Washer Lock
- Quarter Washer Lock
- Berkshire Washer Lock

## Wolf Identification



### WOLF

- 2.5 feet tall
- 5-6 feet long
- 70-120 pounds
- Broad snout
- Round ears
- Color light gray to black
- Long, low howl
- Track 4.5 inches wide,
- 5 to 5.5 inches long
- Claws evident

### COYOTE

- 1.5 feet tall
- 4 feet long
- 30-40 pounds
- Narrow snout
- Pointed ears
- Color light gray to brown
- Track 2.5 inches wide, 2 to 2.5 inches long
- Claws evident

### Future Trapper Education Requirements

Trapper education will not be mandatory for the 2018/2019 trapping season.

The decision to not move forward with the trapper education program that had been approved by the Commission in August 2017 came as the department worked to implement the program. At that time, questions arose as to whether the Commission was the appropriate venue to bring forward the question of mandatory trapper education.

### Future Trap Modification Requirements

#### Minimum of two (2) Swivels in Ground-set Foothold Traps

Beginning with the 2019 trapping season (Nov. 1, 2019) all ground-set foothold traps that are set for furbearers or wolves, and traps set by recreational trappers for coyote, weasel, skunk, fox, badger, or raccoon that are not kill-sets (e.g. weasel box) will be required to have a near-center swivel and an additional chain swivel.

A center swivels is defined as: A swivel located on the underside of the trap as near the center of the base plate as reasonably possible. The swivel can be attached directly to the base plate at the center, attached to a D-ring centered on the base plate, or can be included in the chain at a point no more than 5 normal chain links from the D-ring or base plate.

### Trapper Mail Survey

Each year FWP mails a harvest survey to trappers. Information from this survey is used to track effort and population trends. This information is important for managing populations and determining appropriate levels of harvest. Please complete your survey accurately and on time. Doing so is important for the future of trapping!

### Wildlife Violator Compact

Montana became a member of the Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact (IWVC) in 1996 and the IWVC became law under Title 87, Chapter 1, Part 8 of the Montana Code. MFWP fully integrated the IWVC database with the Automated Licensing System and Internet License Sales. The integration of these systems identifies persons with privilege suspensions who purchase or attempt to purchase licenses or enter drawings for which they are ineligible. Attempting to purchase or purchasing a license or permit while under privilege suspension in Montana, or any Compact member state, is unlawful under Montana Code 87-6-310 and 87-6-306, and will result in additional fines and extended suspensions of hunting, fishing and/or trapping privileges.

**Who To Contact**

**Bobcat, Otter, Fisher and Swift Fox 24-hour Harvest Reporting Number** ..... **1-877-FWP-WILD (1-877-397-9453)**  
 OR..... **406-444-0356**

**Bobcat, Otter, Fisher and Swift Fox Quota Status**  
 (24 hours/day - 7 days/week) ..... **1-800-711-8727**  
 OR..... **406-444-9557**  
 OR online at the website..... **[fwp.mt.gov](http://fwp.mt.gov)**

**Mountain Lion Quota Status**  
 (24 hours/day - 7 days/week) ..... **1-800-385-7826**  
 OR..... **406-444-1989**

**Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks State Headquarters**

1420 East 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, PO Box 200701  
 Helena, MT 59620-0701  
 406-444-2535 - **[fwp.mt.gov](http://fwp.mt.gov)**

Hunter Education..... **406-444-9948**  
 Wildlife Bureau..... **406-444-2612**  
 Enforcement Bureau..... **406-444-2452**  
 Parks Division (Montana State Parks)..... **406-444-3750**  
 Hearing Impaired (use Montana Relay)..... **7-1-1 or 1-800-253-4091**

**Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Regional Headquarters**

**REGION 1**

490 N Meridian Road  
 Kalispell, MT 59901..... **406-752-5501**

**REGION 2**

3201 Spurgin Road  
 Missoula, MT 59804..... **406-542-5500**

**REGION 3**

1400 South 19<sup>th</sup>  
 Bozeman, MT 59715 ..... **406-994-4042**

**REGION 4**

4600 Giant Springs Road  
 Great Falls, MT 59405 ..... **406-454-5840**

**REGION 5**

2300 Lake Elmo Drive  
 Billings, MT 59105..... **406-247-2940**

**REGION 6**

1 Airport Rd  
 Glasgow, MT 59230..... **406-228-3700**

**REGION 7**

352 I-94 Business Loop, PO Box 1630  
 Miles City, MT 59301..... **406-234-0900**

**Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Area Resource Offices**

**Butte**

1820 Meadowlark Lane  
 Butte, MT 59701..... **406-494-1953**

**Havre**

2165 Hwy 2 East  
 Havre, MT 59501..... **406-265-6177**

**Helena**

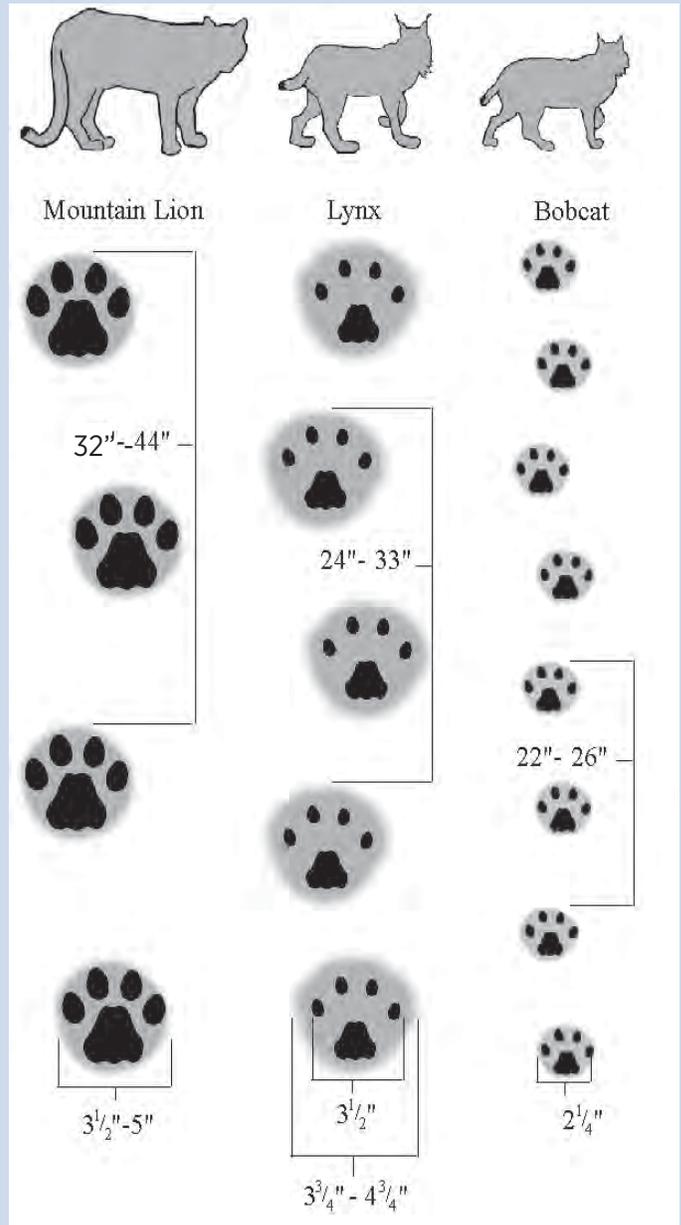
930 Custer Avenue West  
 Helena, MT 59602..... **406-495-3260**

**Lewistown**

333 Airport Rd, PO Box 938  
 Lewistown, MT 59457..... **406-538-4658**

**Cat Identification**

Field identification characteristics of mountain lion, lynx, and bobcat—physical markings and tracks in the snow (Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, 1999).



- Note difference in tail length of lion. Black markings on tip of lynx and bobcat tails are different; lynx tail tip is black all around as if dipped in ink, bobcat tail is black on top only.
- Lynx ear tufts are longer than bobcat ear tufts.
- Lion and lynx foot sizes are similar; bobcat is much smaller.
- Tracks are shown with shaded area representing impression of hair in the snow.
- Note track size and stride length differences between species.



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# Wildlife Management and Regulated Trapping in Montana

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## Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) Information Sheet

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### Trapping has a time-honored heritage in Montana.

For centuries, people have trapped furbearers across Montana. Presently, Montana sportsmen and sportswomen take part in this fur trapping heritage to legitimately harvest a renewable resource on public and private land.

State law requires FWP to be responsible for the conservation of fish and wildlife populations.

- FWP has the responsibility to conserve, protect, and manage wildlife species, including animals that are hunted and trapped, for the long-term viability of their populations, while providing for responsible public use. In following these guidelines and state law, FWP manages the state's furbearing animals, and licenses and supports trapping (similar to fishing and hunting) as an important cultural, recreational, and wildlife management activity.
- Like other animals that are hunted, furbearers are trapped to provide public use and managed for sustainable populations that are in balance with habitat conditions. **Regulated trapping does not endanger wildlife populations.**

Furbearer trapping is regulated by state laws and FWP Commission rules in Montana.

- Similar to hunting or fishing, FWP requires trappers to purchase a Montana trapping license and comply with trapping regulations that apply on both public and private land.

- The FWP Commission approves trapping regulations every two years through a public process and adopts harvest quotas for certain furbearers annually. These regulations are scientifically based and are strictly enforced. Land trapping seasons are restricted to less than three months of the year.
- Trapping regulations cover 10 legally classified species, several predators, and some nongame animals with fur. FWP has management authority for animals that have been classified by the Montana Legislature as furbearers, with an open season adopted by the FWP Commission. These species are beaver, otter, muskrat, mink, marten, fisher, wolverine, bobcat, and swift fox, which have restricted trapping seasons and fall directly under FWP furbearer regulations.
- Other animals with fur value that are trapped include coyotes, weasels, and skunks that are classified as predators, and nongame animals such as raccoon, red fox, and badger. Certain general trapping regulations apply when trapping for these animals.

Trappers provide FWP with information that assists with wildlife management.

- For some furbearer species, such as bobcats, trappers are required to present all harvested animals to FWP for the collection of information that includes harvest

location, sex, age, and other biological samples. Furbearer trapper reports and annual trapper surveys for all species are used to help monitor species distribution and trends in population productivity.

## Scientists and wildlife managers across the country support regulated trapping.

- The Wildlife Society, the professional organization of wildlife biologists, managers, and university staff in North America, promotes the position that regulated trapping is a biologically sustainable, safe, effective, and ecologically sound method of managing furbearers. The Wildlife Society recognizes that “trapping is part of our cultural heritage and provides income, recreation, and an outdoor lifestyle for many citizens through use of a renewable natural resource.” This organization also stresses that trapping is important in animal damage control, wildlife research, and in suppressing some wildlife diseases. The Society recognized trapping as one of the vital components of the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation in a special issue of the *Wildlife Professional* in 2010.

## Trapping is biologically sustainable.

- Trapping is managed by FWP as a recreational activity, cultural heritage, and management tool for a renewable furbearer resource. Fur trapping is sustainable because levels of furbearers taken are a small percentage of the total population size and reproduction replaces harvested animals each year. Seasons are scheduled so that furbearer offspring are independent of the adult by the time trapping seasons begin.
- As an example of sustainability, trappers meet the statewide quota of approximately 2,000 bobcats taken year after year. Bobcat populations are healthy in terms of distribution, numbers, age, and sex ratio. This is a classic example of a biologically sustainable wildlife management program.

## Trapping is similar to hunting in requiring strong ethics in its pursuit.

- Regulated fur trapping is the only way to effectively harvest most furbearers. Many of these species are active only at night and could not be ethically hunted. A foothold trap is designed to hold the animal by its

foot; the animal can then be released or quickly killed. A conibear (body gripping) trap is designed to result in a quick and humane kill of the animal when captured.

- As an example of the relationship between trapping and hunting, bobcats can be hunted with hounds as well as trapped, so any trapping regulations applied to this species affect hunting opportunity as well. Best Management Practices for trapping are being incorporated into Montana’s trapper education program.

## Trapping takes place across the Montana landscape and provides multiple benefits.

- Like hunting, trapping takes place on public and private lands across Montana. Trappers harvest furbearers, predators, and several nongame wildlife species to assist in population management, to protect livestock and prevent damage to agricultural lands, to receive economic value from pelts, and to pursue a legal outdoor recreational activity.
- Controlling some species of furbearing animals reduces wildlife damage conflicts on private lands and on public lands along roadways and streams. For example, beaver populations in many areas of Montana are at high enough levels that landowners are struggling to find people to trap and remove them. In many areas of northwest Montana, beavers are constructing extensive dams and ponds and blocking access of federally threatened bull trout to spawning streams. Beaver are also a perennial problem in many areas where they block road culverts and cut down trees along waterways, contributing to stream channel instability and local flooding.
- Trappers are required to label all traps with their license information on both public and private lands, regardless of what species they are trapping. Furbearer trappers must have permission to trap on private land and must follow additional restrictions on public land.
- From an FWP wildlife management perspective, the term “public lands” is considered to be all federal and state lands. These include U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, and U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service federal lands. State lands are primarily FWP Wildlife Management Areas and Department of Natural Resources & Conservation School Trust lands.

## Trapping is an annual component of Montana's economy and provides many value-added opportunities.

- Approximately 4,000 Montanans buy trapping licenses each year, and the number has increased in the past two decades. In terms of user-days, a standard way of calculating economic benefit for fishing or hunting, fur trapping is worth more than \$1 million dollars to Montana's economy each year. Furbearer pelts are used in garments, decorations, taxidermy, and even for spiritual or religious items. Furbuyers and businesses that trade in fur or make garments are based in Montana. In addition, many trappers sell pelts through national and international auctions. Income to Montanans from pelt sales in 2007-08 amounted to an estimated \$2,125,775 based on the number of reported furbearers taken.

## Furbearer trappers must follow existing regulations to trap on public and private lands.

- On public lands, trapping regulations govern the distance furbearer traps must be placed away from trailheads, campgrounds, and other public use areas. As long as licensed furbearer trappers abide by these and other trap-type restrictions, they are allowed to trap on public and private land.
- Some local trapping closure areas exist. For example, furbearer trapping closures have been adopted by the FWP Commission that encompass about 40,000 acres in several high-use winter recreation areas around Missoula.
- FWP wildlife management areas have special regulations in place restricting the number of trappers and limiting trapping to specific time periods.
- Trapping on state school trust land involves a permitting process and special regulations.

## FWP has taken actions to minimize incidental captures when setting trapping regulations.

- Montana has one of the most effective sets of regulations for avoiding nontarget wildlife and domestic pet capture in the nation. Furbearer regulations, including

types of traps that can be used and where they can be placed, exist to help prevent accidental captures of domestic pets and nontarget wildlife species.

- In the 2008-09 and 2009-10 trapping seasons, FWP documented four reports (three on public land, one on private land) of dog mortalities in traps across the entire state. Three of the dogs were "at large" (roaming without their owners nearby) and another was roughly one mile away from its owner. Responsibility also rests with the dog owner to not allow the pet to range out of the owner's control or to run at large. There is no record of a hiker or other recreationist ever being caught in a trap.
- FWP provides informational materials to trappers to help avoid or minimize the accidental capture of nontarget animals. FWP also has educational information available for dog owners and other recreationists that provides an overview of trapping in Montana, what to expect when a trap is encountered, and how to respond if a pet is accidentally captured.

## Regulations encourage trappers to regularly check traps.

- FWP recommends that trappers check their traps at least once every 48 hours. State law requires that trappers must attend traps in a manner that does not waste furbearing animals and that traps must be removed when the furbearer trapping season is completed.

## FWP strongly recommends Trapper Education programs which are offered in Montana.

- Voluntary trapper safety and education courses are offered each year around the state and are coordinated by volunteer instructors with regular participation by FWP staff. FWP strongly encourages all trappers to participate in the Trapper Education Program and supports the effort to make trapper education mandatory for all first-time trappers.
- Trapper safety and education is also provided during the annual summer Youth Trapper Camp that is a cooperative effort between the Montana Trapper's Association, FWP, and Montana 4-H.

## Distribution of public and private lands in Montana

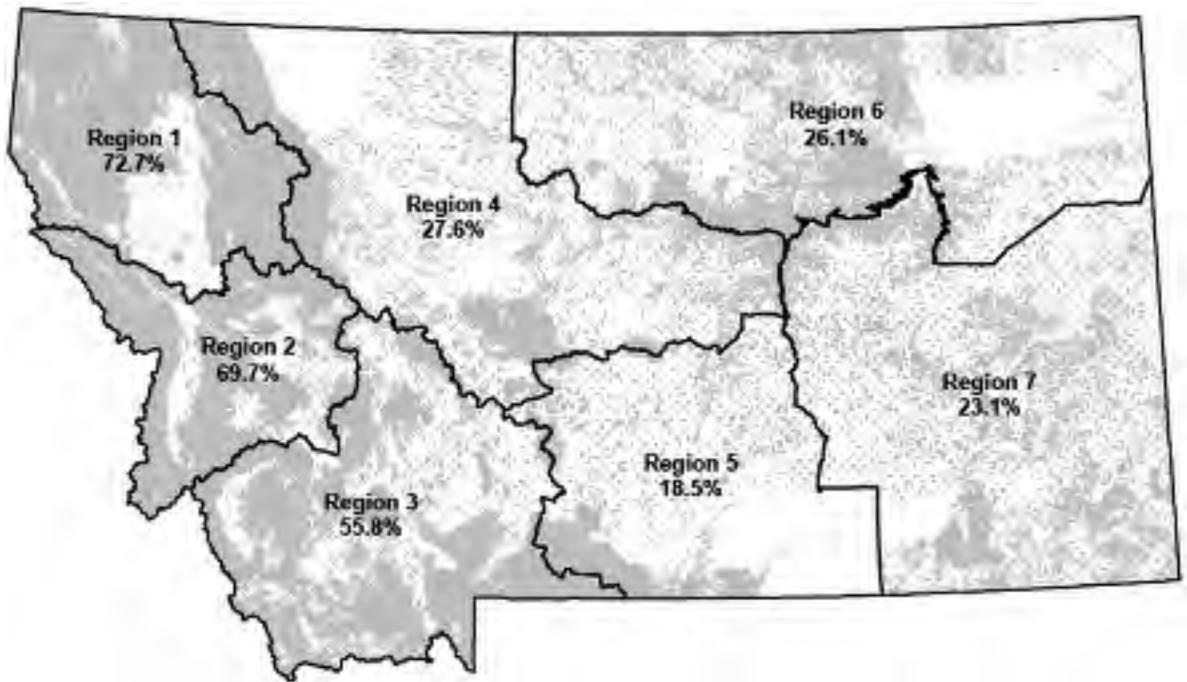
- Landownership patterns vary significantly across the state when shown as the percent of public land by FWP administrative region displayed in Figure 1. While these percentages are weighted more heavily

to public ownership in western Montana, the map does depict mixed ownership patterns occurring across the eastern two-thirds of the state. This ownership pattern and the distribution of wildlife species across both public and private lands have direct implications to effective wildlife management and associated opportunities.

### Figure 1. Landownership Patterns across Montana

Wildlife species do not recognize administrative boundaries, so it is essential that Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks manages furbearers across lands of all ownership.

*Shaded areas represent public lands (and percentage) by FWP region.*



- ▶ Visit FWP's Web site at [fwp.mt.gov](http://fwp.mt.gov) for more management and trapping information. Click "Hunting," and then select "Trapping."



# OREGON FURBEARER TRAPPING and HUNTING REGULATIONS

www.odfw.com

July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020

Please Note: Major changes are underlined throughout this synopsis.

## License Requirements

Juveniles younger than 12 years of age are not required to purchase a license, except to hunt or trap bobcat and river otter. However, they must register to receive a brand number through the Salem ODFW office. To trap bobcat or river otter, juveniles must complete the trapper education course. Juveniles 17 and younger must have completed hunter education to obtain a furtaker's license.

Landowners must obtain either a furtaker's license, a hunting license for furbearers, or a free license to take furbearers on land they own and on which they reside. To receive the free license and brand number, the landowner must obtain from the Salem ODFW Headquarters office, a receipt of registration for the location of such land prior to hunting or trapping furbearing mammals on that land.

**Attention!** Paperless Licenses are coming your way and your email address is needed. If you are a current participant in the ODFW Furbearer Program you will receive information in your license renewal packets. Email addresses can also be added by updating your account information on the Online Furtaker Harvest Report website. If you are new to the Furbearer Program at ODFW please contact License Services at 503-947-6100 or go to ODFW.com for more information.

## Trapper Education Requirement

By action of the 1985 Oregon Legislature, all trappers born after June 30, 1968, and all first-time Oregon trappers of any age are required to complete an approved trapper education course.

The study guide may be completed at home. Testing will take place at Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) offices throughout the state. A furtaker's license will be issued by the Salem ODFW Headquarters office after the test has been successfully completed and mailed to Salem headquarters, and the license application with payment has been received. Course materials are available by writing or telephoning Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, I&E Division, 4034 Fairview Industrial Drive SE, Salem, OR 97302, (800) 720-6339 x76002.

The course is not required of persons trapping on land owned or leased by that person, the person's immediate family, or a person's agent who is controlling damage to livestock or agricultural crops.

## Mandatory Annual Reporting

Persons who were licensed, but did not fill out and return a completed Furtaker Harvest Report postmarked or submitted online by **April 15**, will not be issued a furtaker license for the following season unless they **complete and return the late Harvest Report form** and application with a **\$50.00 fee** at time of renewal.

## LICENSE AND TAG FEES

- Furtakers need either a Furtaker's License or a Hunting License for Furbearers. Licenses are available for sale on June 1.
- A Furtakers License allows the holder to trap, hunt and pursue.
- A Hunting License for Furbearers allows the holder only to hunt and pursue.
- A unique brand number will be issued to a person the first time they obtain a license. Like the Oregon Hunter/Angler ID number, the brand number is assigned to the individual furtaker for life.
- A general hunting license does not allow the holder to trap, hunt or pursue furbearers, but only to hunt unprotected mammals (see definition on page 7).

Resident Furtaker's License	\$53.00	Bobcat Record Card	\$36.50
		<i>(Hunting License for Furbearers or Furtaker's License required)</i>	
Nonresident Furtaker's License	\$395.00	River Otter Record Card	\$36.50
		<i>(Hunting License for Furbearers or Furtaker's License required)</i>	
Resident Hunting License for Furbearers	\$25.00	Fur Dealer's License	\$108.00
Juvenile Furtaker's License (Age 12-17)	\$17.00	Juveniles Younger than 12 (See license requirements above)	

*The above license and record card fees each include a \$2.00 license agent fee. Further information on licenses and tags is available by writing or telephoning Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Licensing Section, 4034 Fairview Industrial Drive SE, Salem, OR 97302, (503) 947-6101.*



TO REPORT WILDLIFE  
VIOLATORS CALL  
1-800-452-7888 or  
[TIP@STATE.OR.US](mailto:TIP@STATE.OR.US)  
TIPs Can Remain Anonymous

Curt Melcher, Director  
Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife  
4034 Fairview Industrial Drive SE  
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# GENERAL FURBEARER REGULATIONS

Any person possessing a valid furtaker's license or hunting license for furbearers is required to complete and return the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Furtaker Harvest Report form, postmarked by April 15, 2019 for the 2018-2019 season and April 15, 2020 for the 2019-2020 season. Failure to do so will deny the license holder the opportunity to purchase a hunting license for furbearers or furtakers license for the following furbearer season unless the late Harvest Report form and application is submitted with a \$50.00 fee at the time of renewal.

## General Regulations and Licensing

- **The appropriate Furtaker's License or Hunting License for Furbearers must be in possession to hunt and/or trap furbearers.**
- It is unlawful to alter, borrow, loan or transfer to another person any license, permit or unused tag issued by the Commission.
- Any person(s) acting as an agent for a landowner shall have in their possession written authority from the landowner or lawful occupant of the land. Such written authority shall contain at least all of the following:
  1. The date of issuance of the authorization;
  2. The name, address and telephone number of the person granting the authorization;
  3. The name, address and telephone number of the person whom the authorization is granted, and
  4. The expiration date of the authorization, which shall be not later than one year from the date of issuance of the authorization.

## Furbearer Hunting

- No person shall hunt any wildlife from a motor propelled vehicle. Exception: Landowners or agents hunting predatory animals on land they own or lawfully occupy, or a qualified disabled hunter may obtain an Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit to hunt from a motor vehicle except while the vehicle is in motion or on any public road or highway.
- Bobcat, opossum and raccoon may be hunted with the aid of an artificial light provided the light is not cast from or attached to a motor vehicle or boat.
- Use of dogs is permitted to hunt or pursue bobcat, raccoon, fox, and unprotected mammals.
- It is unlawful to waste the pelt of any furbearer except when authorized by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

## Traps and Trapping

- All traps and snares, whether set for furbearing or unprotected mammals, must be legibly marked or branded with the owner's license number that has been assigned by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife; except that unmarked traps or snares may be set for unprotected mammals by any person or member of their immediate family upon land that they lawfully own.
- No branded trap or snare may be sold unless accompanied by a uniform bill of sale.
- It is unlawful for any person to trap for furbearers, predatory animals, and/or unprotected mammals using:
  1. A steel foothold trap with a jaw spread greater than nine (9) inches.
  2. A No. 3 or larger foothold trap or any foothold trap with an inside jaw spread at dog greater than six inches (6") not having a jaw spacing of at least 3/16 of one inch when the trap is sprung (measurement excludes pads on padded jaw traps) and when the set is not capable of drowning the trapped animal.
  3. The flesh of any game bird, game fish or game mammal for trap bait.

4. Any killing trap having a jaw spread of seven and one half inches (7.5") or more in any land set except when authorized by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.
  5. Any toothed trap or trap with a protuberance of the facing edge of the jaws that is intended to hold the animal, except pads on padded jaw traps.
  6. Or possessing the branded traps or snares of another unless in possession of written permission from the person to whom the brand is registered.
  7. Sight bait within 15 feet of any foothold trap set for carnivores.
- On state or federal lands, except when authorized by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, no traps or snares may be set on land:
    1. Within 50 feet of any public trail (see definition on page 7);
    2. Within 300 feet of any trailhead that is designated and maintained as such by the public land management agency and is accessible to vehicular traffic (see definition on page 7);
    3. Within 300 feet of any public campground or picnic area designated and maintained as such by the public land management agency on the most current official map of the agency; or
    4. Within 500 feet of the center of the mouth of an Oregon Department of Transportation wildlife crossing structure located between US Highway 97 mile posts 149 and 153.
  - An artificial light may be used to provide light to aid in the dispatch of animals legally restrained in a trap or snare.
  - It is unlawful to disturb or remove the traps or snares of any licensed trapper while that person is trapping on public lands or on other land by landowner's permission.
  - The general furbearer regulations do not apply to the trapping of gophers, moles, ground squirrels and mountain beaver (boomer).
  - It is unlawful for any person to damage or destroy any muskrat house at any time except where such muskrat house is an obstruction to a private or public ditch or watercourse.
  - **REMINDER:** The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Oregon Administrative Rule 374.305 prohibits the public from trapping on ODOT property without first obtaining written permission from ODOT. This includes ODOT highway right-of-ways.

## Trap Check Requirements

- All traps or snares set or used for the taking of furbearing or unprotected mammals shall be inspected at least every 48 hours and all trapped animals removed.
- Any person setting a trap for predatory animals, as defined in ORS 610.002, must check the trap as follows:
  1. For killing traps and snares, at least once every 30 days and remove all animals;
  2. For restraining traps and snares, at least once every 76 hours and remove all animals.
  3. For restraining traps and snares set by a person owning, leasing, occupying, possessing or having charge of or dominion over any land, building, structure, wharf, pier or dock or their agent, and set for predatory animals damaging land, livestock or agricultural or forest crops, shall be checked at least once every seven (7) days.

## GENERAL FURBEARER REGULATIONS

### Possession and Sale

- Any person may sell or exchange the hide, carcass or any part thereof of any legally taken furbearing or unprotected animal.
- A licensed furtaker may sell or exchange, and any person may purchase, road-killed furbearers or unprotected mammals, provided that:
  1. The road-kill is taken by a licensed furtaker during an authorized season for hunting or trapping the species, and;
  2. The sale is made by the licensed furtaker who took the road-kill.
- When any furbearer or raw furbearer pelt is transferred to the possession of another person, a written record indicating the name and address of the person from whom the raw pelt was obtained shall accompany such transfer and remain with same so long as preserved in raw pelt form.
- Any person may purchase unprocessed furbearing or unprotected mammal pelts, provided that such pelts are purchased from the furtaker who legally took the furbearer and that the pelts are purchased for personal use and not for resale. For any furbearer pelt purchased under this section, the purchaser must retain a record of the furtaker's brand.
- No person, except a licensed furtaker during an authorized season, shall possess or transport any furbearer or part thereof, which has been road-killed, found or killed for humane reasons, unless they have notified and received permission from personnel of the Oregon State Police or the Department of Fish and Wildlife prior to transporting.

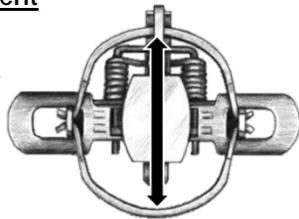
## ADDITIONAL NOTES

### Fisher Conservation

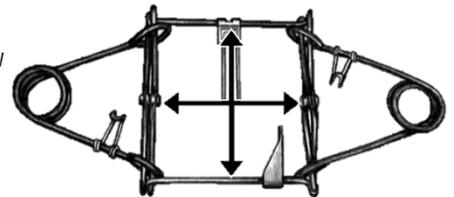
- Fisher are listed as a Conservation Strategy Species in Oregon and there is no open season. Numerous fisher research projects are underway in the Klamath Plateau and Cascade and Siskiyou Mountains. Please assist in the conservation of this species by reporting observations of fisher or their tracks to ODFW.
- Non-federal landowners in western Oregon, including Oregon Department of Forestry, private timberland owners, and others, may be acquiring permits from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) for a Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances (CCAA) for fisher in Oregon. This agreement requires landowners to implement conservation measures to aid in fisher conservation and in return, safeguards these landowners from additional restrictions should the fisher be listed under the federal Endangered Species Act. One component of the CCAA is to restrict trapping activities near known, occupied fisher dens. In order for landowners to be in compliance with the CCAA, trappers should communicate with them if they intend to trap on those lands during fisher denning period (March 15 to September 30).

### Trap Jaw Spread Measurement

Foothold- Measure the inside of the jaw at the dog to the opposite inside jaw.



Killing Trap- Measure the jaw spread by measuring inside jaw to inside jaw.  
(Conibear™ type trap shown)



### ONLINE RESOURCES

ODFW Furbearer Program

[www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/hunting/small\\_game/](http://www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/hunting/small_game/)

Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies - Furbearer Management Resources

[www.fishwildlife.org/afwa-inspires/furbearer-management](http://www.fishwildlife.org/afwa-inspires/furbearer-management)

### Pelt Handling Manuals

Fur Harvesters Auction Inc.

[www.furharvesters.com/pdf/pelthandling.pdf](http://www.furharvesters.com/pdf/pelthandling.pdf)

North American Fur Auctions

[www.nafa.ca/wp-content/uploads/NAFA\\_PeltHandlingManual\\_2012-02.pdf](http://www.nafa.ca/wp-content/uploads/NAFA_PeltHandlingManual_2012-02.pdf)

**ODFW**  
**Parking Permit**

Check in with the Wildlife Area Office for  
area trapping and parking permit  
requirements.

If you have a parking permit issued  
free with an ODFW hunting license  
display it on your dashboard.



**ODFW Wildlife Division**  
**(503) 947-6301**

## HARVEST SEASONS

Species	Open Seasons	Open Areas and Special Regulations
Bobcat	December 1 through February 28	WESTERN OREGON: No bag limit. All counties west of the summit of the Cascades, except Klamath and Hood River Counties. See page 5 for special bobcat regulations.
	December 1 through February 28	EASTERN OREGON: Bag Limit: Five (5) bobcats. All counties east of the summit of the Cascades, including all of Klamath and Hood River Counties. See page 5 for special bobcat regulations.
Gray Fox	<u>October 15 through February 28</u>	Entire state
Red Fox	<u>October 15 through February 28</u>	<u>Entire state</u>
Marten	November 1 through January 31	Entire state. The Department requests that furtakers provide marten carcasses and the date, location of harvest, and sex be turned in to the local ODFW office prior to March 1, following each season. Furtaker cooperation is critical for successful future management of this species.
Muskrat/Mink	November 15 through March 31	Entire state
Raccoon	November 15 through March 15	Entire state
River Otter	November 15 through March 15	Entire state except for all areas closed to beaver trapping (see below). See page 5 for special river otter regulations.
Fisher, Ringtail Cat, Wolverine, Kit Fox and Sea Otter	Closed season entire year.	
Badger, Coyote, Nutria, Opossum, Porcupine, Spotted Skunk, Striped Skunk and Weasel	Open season entire year.	Requires appropriate Furtaker's License to trap (also allows hunting), or appropriate Hunting License for Furbearer's or general Hunting License to hunt these species.
Beaver	November 15 through March 15 in the following described areas:	See below.

**Attention Coastal Beaver Trappers:** ODFW requests your continued cooperation in protecting beaver dams in coastal areas important to Coho salmon rearing. If you are not familiar with this program, which was initiated in 1998, please contact your local ODFW biologist. Field offices are listed on page 6.

### AREAS OPEN TO BEAVER HARVEST:

**Clackamas County:** All open except those waters within the exterior boundaries of Mt. Hood National Forest.

**Crook County:** All open except Prineville Reservoir (high water line), and Ochoco National Forest.

**Curry County:** All open except the Rogue River from the east county line to the mouth.

**Grant County:** All open except within the exterior boundaries of the Ochoco National Forest; Murderers Creek and Deer Creek tributaries of the South Fork John Day River, within the exterior boundaries of the Malheur National Forest.

**Jefferson County:** All open except that portion of Willow Creek and its tributaries on the National Grasslands.

**Josephine County:** All open except Rogue River from the confluence of Graves Creek downstream to the county line.

**Union County:** All open except waters inside exterior boundaries of National Forests; Grande Ronde River above Beaver Creek, and all tributaries of the Grande Ronde River above the confluence of Five Points Creek (Five Points Creek open to National Forest boundary.) Private inholdings within the National Forest remain open.

**Wallowa County:** All open except Peavine Creek, a tributary of Chesnimus Creek; Minam River and tributaries; Wallowa River and tributaries above Wallowa Lake; and Lostine River, Hurricane Creek and Bear Creek and their tributaries above the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest boundary.

**Wheeler County:** All open except within the exterior boundaries of the Ochoco National Forest and Bridge Creek and its tributaries within the exterior boundaries of Bureau of Land Management lands.

**Other Counties:** All of the following counties are open in their entirety: Baker, Benton, Clatsop, Columbia, Coos, Deschutes, Douglas, Gilliam, Harney, Hood River, Jackson, Klamath, Lake, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Malheur, Marion, Morrow, Multnomah, Polk, Sherman, Tillamook, Umatilla, Wasco, Washington and Yamhill.

## PURSUIT SEASONS (STATEWIDE)

During open Pursuit Seasons no animals shall be killed except during authorized open harvest seasons. A record card must be in possession to harvest bobcat. A Furtaker's License or Hunting License for Furbearers must be in possession to hunt or pursue.

<b>Bobcat Pursuit Season</b>	September 1 through February 28
<b>Fox Pursuit Season</b>	September 1 through February 28
<b>Raccoon Pursuit Season</b>	September 1 through March 15

## SPECIAL BOBCAT and RIVER OTTER REGULATIONS

### Bobcat-River Otter Record Card

1. Each person desiring to harvest bobcat or river otter must secure a bobcat or river otter record card prior to hunting or trapping.
2. Bobcat record cards will be available for a fee of \$36.50 per card.
3. River otter cards will be available for a fee of \$36.50 per card.
4. Record cards will be available at the Salem ODFW Headquarters and the Bend, Clackamas, La Grande and Roseburg offices of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.
5. Each western Oregon bobcat record card will have spaces for recording 15 bobcats. No limit on purchase of western Oregon bobcat record cards.
6. Each eastern Oregon bobcat record card will have spaces for recording five (5) bobcats. No more than one card for eastern Oregon bobcats will be issued to any furtaker or hunter.
7. No person may purchase or possess both eastern and western Oregon bobcat record cards.
8. River otter cards will have spaces for recording 15 river otter. No limit on purchase of river otter record cards.
9. Upon coming into possession of any bobcat or river otter, the furtaker who killed the animal shall immediately write on their record card the species, sex, date of possession and county of harvest.
10. Each furtaker must have the appropriate record card in possession while trapping or hunting bobcat or river otter.
11. Furtakers shall not have record cards other than their own on their person or in their possession while in the field or in transit.
12. Duplicate cards will be issued, but no more than five (5) eastern Oregon bobcats may be taken in a season.
13. Bobcat and river otter record cards will not be sold after the end of their respective seasons.
14. Fees paid for unused record cards will not be refunded.
15. It is illegal to alter or be in possession of an altered record card.
16. The record card must be retained until disposal of raw pelts.

17. Record cards do not need to be submitted with the Furtaker Report.

### Additional Regulations

1. Raw pelts taken prior to September 1, 1982 may not be sold unless they were metal sealed by the Oregon State Police or Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife prior to that date.
2. Those persons failing to comply with Special Bobcat and River Otter Regulations may be subject to penalties provided in ORS 496.992 and may not be issued a license for the following furbearer season.

### To Qualify for Ownership Tag

1. The lower jawbone, including both canine teeth, must be surrendered to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and information on sex, date of catch, and county of harvest must be attached to each individual Oregon bobcat and river otter jaw to qualify for ownership tags.
2. A record card with required species, sex, date of possession and county must be presented to obtain ownership tag.

### Ownership Tag

1. The ownership tag will be affixed by Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife personnel at district and regional offices and shall remain so affixed while the pelt is in raw form.
2. May be used as a foreign export tag.
3. Authorizes the holder to sell one bobcat or river otter.
4. Each person must have an ownership tag affixed to their bobcat or river otter pelt at an Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife district or regional office within five (5) business days after the season ends. A list of department offices is on page 6. **Tagging is by appointment only.**
5. It shall be illegal to possess a harvested bobcat or river otter after five (5) business days following the season closure without an ownership tag.
6. It shall be illegal to sell or remove from the state a harvested bobcat or river otter pelt without the respective year's ownership tag.

## LOCATIONS TO OBTAIN BOBCAT AND RIVER OTTER OWNERSHIP TAGS

**Tagging Deadlines:** Each person must have an ownership tag affixed to their bobcat or river otter pelt by Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife within **five (5) business days** after the season ends. **Tagging is by appointment only.**

LOCATION	OFFICE ADDRESS	PHONE	NOTES
<i>Regional Offices</i>			
CORVALLIS*	7118 NE Vandenberg Avenue Corvallis, OR 97330-9446	(541) 757-4186	*Adair Village- 8 miles north of Corvallis on US 99W
LA GRANDE	107 20 <sup>th</sup> Street La Grande, OR 97850	(541) 963-2138	Tagging on Mondays 8:00 am to 5:00 pm
<i>Field Offices</i>			
BAKER CITY	2995 Hughes Lane Baker City, OR 97814	(541) 523-5832	
BEND	61374 Parrell Road Bend, OR 97702	(541) 388-6363	Tagging on Mondays 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
CENTRAL POINT	1495 Gregory Road Central Point, OR 97502	(541) 826-8774	
CHARLESTON	63538 Boat Basin Drive PO Box 5003, Charleston, OR 97420	(541) 888-5515	
CLACKAMAS	17330 SE Evelyn Street Clackamas, OR 97015	(971) 673-6000	
ENTERPRISE	65495 Alder Slope Road Enterprise, OR 97828	(541) 426-3279	
GOLD BEACH	29907 Airport Way Gold Beach, OR 97444	(541) 247-7605	
HEPPNER	54173 Hwy 74, Box 363 Heppner, OR 97836	(541) 676-5230	
HINES	237 Hwy 20 South, PO Box 8 Hines, OR 97738	(541) 573-6582	
JEWELL MEADOWS WILDLIFE AREA	79878 Hwy 202 Seaside, OR 97138	(503) 755-2264	
JOHN DAY	305 N Canyon City Blvd. Canyon City, OR 97820	(541) 575-1167	
KLAMATH FALLS	1850 Miller Island Road, West Klamath Falls, OR 97603	(541) 883-5732	
LAKEVIEW	18560 Roberta Rd Lakeview, OR 97630	(541) 947-2950	
NEWPORT	2040 SE Marine Science Drive Newport, OR 97365	(541) 867-4741	
ONTARIO	3814 Clark Blvd. Ontario, OR 97914	(541) 889-6975	
PENDLETON	73471 Mytinger Lane Pendleton, OR 97801	(541) 276-2344	
PRINEVILLE	2042 SE Paulina Highway Prineville, OR 97754	(541) 447-5111	
ROSEBURG	4192 N Umpqua Hwy Roseburg, OR 97470	(541) 440-3353	Tagging on Mondays 8:00 am to 5:00 pm
SAUVIE ISLAND	18330 NW Sauvie Island Road Portland, OR 97231	(503) 621-3488	
SPRINGFIELD	3150 East Main Street Springfield, OR 97478	(541) 726-3515	
SUMMER LAKE	53447 Hwy 31 Summer Lake, OR 97640	(541) 943-3324	
THE DALLES	3701 West 13 <sup>th</sup> The Dalles, OR 97058	(541) 296-4628	Tagging on Mondays 8:00 am to 12:00 pm
TILLAMOOK	4907 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street Tillamook, OR 97141	(503) 842-2741	
WHITE RIVER WILDLIFE AREA	7830 Dodson Rd Tygh Valley, OR 97063	(541) 544-2126	

# SPECIAL AREA TRAPPING AND HUNTING REGULATIONS

The following areas are closed to all trapping and hunting referred to in these regulations except as authorized by special permit:

- Denman Wildlife Area
- E. E. Wilson Wildlife Area
- Enterprise Wildlife Area south of U.P. Railroad, Marr Tract
- Fern Ridge Wildlife Area
- Irrigon Wildlife Area
- Jewell Meadows Wildlife Area
- Klamath Wildlife Area
- Ladd Marsh Wildlife Area
- Rimrock Springs Wildlife Area
- Sauvie Island Wildlife Area
- Summer Lake Wildlife Area
- St. Louis Ponds
- Tillicum Natural Area
- McDonald Forest (Oregon State University)
- Federal refuges
- North Bank Habitat Management Area (BLM)
- Metolius Wildlife Refuge
- Public campgrounds
- National, state and public parks
- Cemeteries
- City and municipal watersheds now in refuge
- Within city boundaries
- School lands

**Exceptions:** Furbearers and unprotected mammals may be trapped and hunted in state refuges (except those listed above as closed to all hunting or trapping) during open harvest seasons between November 1 and March 31.

## DEFINITIONS

**EASTERN OREGON:** All counties east of the summit of the Cascades, including all of Klamath and Hood River Counties.

**FURBEARERS or FURBEARING MAMMALS:** Beaver, bobcat, fisher, marten, mink, muskrat, river otter, raccoon, red fox and gray fox. For any person owning, leasing, occupying, possessing or having charge or dominion over any land (or an agent of this person) who is taking or attempting to take beaver or muskrat on that property, these two species are considered to be predatory animals.

**HUNT:** Take or attempt to take any wildlife by means involving the use of a weapon or with the assistance of any mammal or bird.

**KILLING TRAP:** A device used to kill a mammal as part of a killing trap system. A killing trap system is a system set with the intent to kill a mammal comprising a combination of: equipment (the trap and trigger configuration), and set (including site modifications, lures, baits, location and other relevant requirements).

**LAND SET:** Is any set with a trap or snare other than a water set.

**PREDATORY ANIMALS:** Include coyotes, feral swine, rabbits, rodents and birds (excluding game birds) which are or may be destructive to agricultural crops, products and activities. (*See Unprotected Mammals definition to learn which Predatory Animals are classified as unprotected mammals on private land*)

**PUBLIC TRAIL:** Any trail designated, maintained, mapped and marked by any state or federal land management agency on the most current official map of the agency; for the purposes of trapping, water way, water trails designated for floating craft and public roadways are not considered a "public trail".

**RAW PELT:** Any pelt that has not been processed or converted to any usable form beyond initial cleaning, stretching and drying.

**RESIDENT:** A person who has resided in Oregon for at least six (6) consecutive months immediately prior to the date of making application for a license, tag or permit. Resident license and tags may also be purchased by:

1. Members of the Armed Forces of the United States who:
  - Are permanently assigned to active duty in their state, and their spouse and dependent children.
  - Reside in this state while assigned to duty at any base, station, shore establishment or other facility in this state.
  - Reside in this state while serving as members of the crew of a ship that has an Oregon port or shore establishment as its home port or permanent station.
  - Reside in a foreign country and establish Oregon residency by filing Oregon state income taxes no later than 12 months before leaving active duty.
  - Armed Forces includes Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard, or their reserve components; the National Guard or Oregon National Guard.
2. Aliens attending school in Oregon under a foreign student exchange program.

**RIVER:** The portion of a natural water body lying below the level of bankfull stage. Bankfull stage means the stage or elevation at which overflow of the natural banks of a stream or body of water begins to inundate the upland.

**RESTRAINING TRAP:** A device used to capture and restrain (but not kill) a mammal as part of a restraining trap system. A restraining trap system is a system set with the intent to capture and restrain (but not kill) a mammal comprising a combination of: equipment (the trap and the trigger configuration), and set (including site modification, lures, baits, location and other relevant requirements.)

**SIGHT BAIT:** Exposed flesh bait including whole animal carcasses within 15 feet of any foothold trap set for carnivores.

**TAKE:** To kill or obtain possession or control of any wildlife.

**TRAILHEAD:** "Trailhead", for the purposes of trapping, is the area beginning at the sign marking the origin of a public trail or segment of trail which is designated, maintained, mapped, and marked by at least one visible sign and includes any adjacent improved graveled or paved vehicle parking lot. The standard shoulder of the road is not considered part of the trailhead. Trailheads are marked by at least one visible sign posted by the responsible state or federal land management agency and identified on the most current official map of the agency. A trailhead does not include junctions between trails (posted or not) where there is no motorized vehicle access, or intersections where a trail crosses a road, or locations where users have developed an access point, but no improvements have been provided beyond minimal signage for public safety.

**UNPROTECTED MAMMALS:** Badger, coyote, gophers, moles, mountain beaver, nutria, opossum, porcupine, spotted skunk, striped skunk, weasel and yellow-bellied marmot. For any person owning, leasing, occupying, possessing or having charge or dominion over any land (or an agent of this person) who is taking or attempting to take coyote, gopher, mountain beaver (boomer), marmot, nutria, or porcupine on that property, these six species are considered to be predatory animals.

**WATER SET:** "Water set" is any trap or snare originally set within a permanent water source or a seasonal water source when water is present, such that at least a portion of the trap jaws or snare loop is submerged. If water levels fluctuate, any killing trap with a jaw spread of 7.5" or more originally set in a water set must be removed or adjusted such that at least a portion of the trap jaws are submerged at the next required trap-check except in tidally influenced areas when set below the mean high water mark.

**WESTERN OREGON:** All counties west of the summit of the Cascades except Klamath and Hood River Counties.

## FURTKER HARVEST REPORT INFORMATION.

**UPDATE:** ODFW created an online reporting system that allows licensed furtakers to submit their Furtaker Harvest Report online. Submitting a paper report is still an option, although online submission is preferred. Be sure to include your email address in your furtaker license application and Harvest Report to receive email confirmation that your report has been received.

This section contains information on how to complete your Furtaker Harvest Report Form. If you have any questions please contact the Furbearer Program Coordinator at (503) 947-6301. If you lose your form, a new one can be found on the ODFW Website: [www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/hunting/small\\_game/](http://www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/hunting/small_game/) Faxed reports can be sent to 503-647-6330.

Your Furtaker Harvest Report provides valuable information to ensure sound management of Oregon's furbearers!

### Harvest Report Instructions:

1. Print your name, brand number, and email.
2. If you did not participate in any of the seasons, and did not pick up any road kills, check the box "I Did Not Hunt or Trap" and mail the report form. Check the ODFW Website to see if inline reporting has become an option.
3. If you participated in any season you must complete the form as follows, even if you did not harvest an animal.
  - a) **County:** Enter the county of harvest next to the appropriate species. If you need space for additional counties please attach additional form(s).
  - b) **Harvest:** Enter the total number harvested in each county by method of harvest. If harvest is zero, put 0. If an animal was released from a trap or hunted/treed but not harvested, enter that number in the Number Released column and not the Number Harvested column.
  - c) **Nights trapped and days hunted** should be reported for target species only, even if you were unsuccessful. Also report the average number of traps set each night. Please refer to the examples on the following page.
  - d) **Pursuit Season:** Record activity anytime you pursue, even if you have no intention of harvesting an animal.
  - e) **Road Kills:** Record all road-killed furbearers or unprotected mammals that you take into possession.

### Example

The next page is an example of how to fill out the Furtaker Harvest Report.

- This furtaker trapped 12 beaver in Lane County and 8 in Douglas County. Traps were set in each county for 23 days.
- The furtaker averaged 21 traps in Lane County and 16 traps in Douglas County each night he trapped.
- He spent 6 days with an average of 6 traps set per night trying to trap gray fox in Polk County.
- The furtaker had hounds and hunted bobcat and raccoon in 2 counties over 4 days during the season. He recorded the days spent in both counties for both species. He treed and harvested 3 raccoon but did not tree nor harvest any bobcats.
- He spent 2 days training his dogs during the pursuit season in Yamhill County. He treed and released 2 bobcats.
- He harvested 1 muskrat and 14 nutria in Lane County, but reported no effort because they were taken while beaver trapping.
- One weekend was spent calling in coyotes in Lane County. He called in and harvested 1 coyote.
- The furtaker took a road-killed badger into possession in Umatilla County.
- Two striped skunk were captured and released while attempting to trap gray fox in Polk County.

EXAMPLE

2018-2019 FURTAKEER HARVEST REPORT FORM

I did not hunt or trap.

Name: JOE PUBLIC Identification/Brand No. 8912x  
PLEASE PRINT NAME  
 Email Address: joe.public@email.com Telephone: 503-947-6000

It is recommended (but not required) you submit your Harvest Report Online instead of sending in this paper copy. If you plan to submit online, use this form to keep track of your activities to improve the accuracy of your information.

- Complete the information below if you trapped or hunted, even if you did not harvest.
- See reverse side for instructions. If you have questions contact ODFW 503-947-6301.
- Report trap nights and hunt days for target species only. Report harvest for all species.
- **DO NOT FORGET TO PUT THE COUNTY OF HARVEST. IF HARVEST IS ZERO, PUT 0.**

Species	County (Required)	Trapping Season				Hunting Season				Pursuit Season		Road Kill
		Number Harvested	Number of Nights Trapped	Average Number of Traps Set Each Night	Number Released	Number Harvested	Number of Days Hunted	Harvest Method Code (see below)	Number NOT Harvested	Number Trapped or Colled	Number of Days Called or Pursued	Road Kills Taken
(04) Beaver	Lane	12	23	21	0							
	Douglas	8	23	16	0							
(05) Bobcat	Polk					3	4	H	0			
	Yamhill					0	4	H	0	2	2	
(07) Gray Fox	Polk	0	6	6	0							
(08) Red Fox												
(09) Marten												
(10) Mink												
(11) Muskrat	Lane	1	0	0	0							
(14) Otter												
(15) Raccoon	Polk					6	4	H	0			
	Yamhill					5	4	H	0			
(06) Coyote	Lane					1	2	C	0			
(03) Badger	Umatilla											1
(12) Nutria	Lane	14	0	0	0							
(13) Opossum												
(16) Spotted Skunk												
(17) Striped Skunk	Polk	0	0	0	2							
(18) Weasel												

Harvest Method Codes:  
 (C) Predator Calling  
 (O) Opportunistic Harvest-Animal taken while not specifically pursuing that species or furbearers in general.  
 (H) Pursuit or Hunting with Hounds

RETURN POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN APRIL 15, 2019  
 FAILURE TO RETURN WILL RESULT IN LICENSE DENIAL FOR THE 2019-2020 SEASON UNLESS THE LATE HARVEST REPORT AND APPLICATION IS SUBMITTED WITH A \$50.00 LATE FEE

## ATTENTION BOBCAT HUNTERS AND TRAPPERS

In March 2000, the Canada Lynx was listed as threatened under the federal Endangered Species Act in 14 states, including Oregon. There are no known lynx populations in Oregon at this time, however, individual lynx are known to disperse into Oregon occasionally.

Although rare, the potential exists for Oregon bobcat trappers and hunters to encounter a lynx. Trappers and hunters must know the difference between lynx and bobcat and their sign to avoid catching or killing a lynx. Please contact ODFW should you see a lynx or its sign.

### LYNX

Tail tip:  
All black



Large "showshoe" feet

Long ear tufts

Prominent  
facial tufts

### BOBCAT



Smaller feet

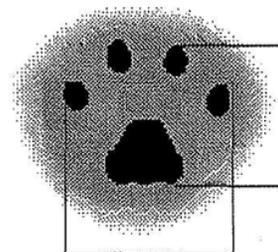
Short ear tufts

Tail tip:  
Black on top only

	LYNX	BOBCAT
<b>Coloration</b>	Gray to light brown. Spots light or absent.	Highly variable, range silver to reddish brown. Spotting on belly and legs.
<b>Tail</b>	Entire tip black, no barring.	Tip black on top only, light underneath, usually barred on top.
<b>Feet</b>	Appear too large for size of the animal.	Proportional to size of animal.
<b>Appearance</b>	Hind legs disproportionately long, resulting in stooped appearance.	Shoulders and hips often on same plane. In winter, can have stocky appearance when belly fur is long.

### TRACK COMPARISON

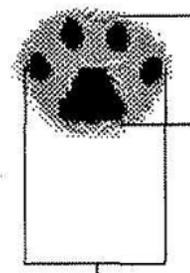
#### LYNX



3" - 3 3/4"

3 1/2"

#### BOBCAT



1 3/4" - 2 1/4"

1 3/4" - 2 1/4"

*Note:*

Lynx tracks are similar in size to cougar. Pad impressions are less distinct on lynx due to heavy fur on feet.

*Track data: Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks, 1999*

### Recommendations to Avoid Lynx in Trap Sets

- Do not set traps or snares for bobcats where lynx tracks are observed or lynx are known to be present.
- Use a #2 or smaller foothold trap, or padded #3 foothold trap.
- Make marten sets on leaning poles no larger than 6 inches in diameter with trap and bait placed at least three feet above the ground or snow level.
- Do not suspend flags or sight-attractants near traps.
- Use tainted baits and avoid using parts of rabbits or hares as baits.

### Preventing Injury and Releasing Lynx from Traps

- Check your traps frequently on a regular basis and carry a catchpole to release lynx and other non-target species.
- Stake the trap so that a lynx cannot get entangled around a solid object (even a small sapling) after being captured.
- Traps should have tethering chains no longer than 18 inches and chains should include at least two swivels.
- Contact ODFW to report the observation.

## TRAPPER'S CODE OF ETHICS

This code of ethics was created in a joint effort by Oregon Trappers Association and Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

1. Set traps only in appropriate locations. Avoid setting traps near high public use areas such as hiking trails, campgrounds, or parks.
2. Help educate and mentor inexperienced trappers in safe, humane, ethical and effective trapping methods and the attitudes and skills essential to be a responsible outdoors person.
3. On private property, act as an invited guest of the landowner, seeking their permission and conducting one's self so as to be welcome in the future. On public property, respect the land and acknowledge that multiple public uses occur on that land.
4. Promote trapping methods that reduce the possibility of catching non-target animals. Release domestic pets promptly and notify the owner or proper authorities when possible.
5. Obey all wildlife laws and regulations, such as trap-check requirements, and insist that other trappers do likewise.
6. Respect the area and do not tamper with the equipment of other trappers.
7. Know and use proper methods of releasing and humanely dispatching animals.
8. Dispose of animal carcasses properly.
9. Handle furs with care to avoid waste.
10. Strive to maintain a good relationship and act as a professional with other outdoor users and the general public at all times.
11. Support and promote furbearer conservation efforts that will assure good trapping for future generations of Americans.
12. Be sensitive to the fact that some individuals find some aspects of trapping disturbing and do not display offensive photographs, carcasses, or other items.
13. Stay current with the most up to date methods of humane, target specific and ethical trapping techniques available, including Best Management Practices.
14. Assist landowners who are having problems with predators and other furbearers that have become a nuisance.



### Best Management Practices for Trapping (BMPs)

#### WHAT?

- Based on sound-science and research, BMPs have been developed for over 20 years to inform people about traps and trapping systems considered to be state of the art in animal welfare and efficiency.

#### WHY?

- BMPs identify practical traps and trapping techniques that continue to improve efficiency selectivity, and the welfare of trapped animals.
- BMPs provide specifications for traps that meet BMP criteria for individual species in various regions of the United States.
- Through the use of BMP guidelines, trappers can continue to play an important role in furbearer management programs across the United States.

#### WHERE?

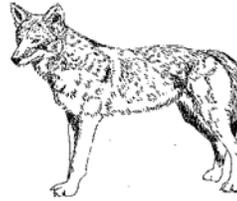
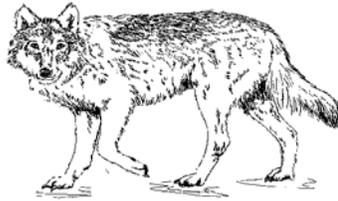
- BMPs can be found online at the Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies (AFWA)  
Website: [www.fishwildlife.org/afwa-inspires/furbearer-management](http://www.fishwildlife.org/afwa-inspires/furbearer-management).



# WOLVES IN OREGON: WHAT TRAPPERS NEED TO KNOW

## Differences in Appearance between Wolves and Coyotes

SPECIES	WOLF	COYOTE
Weight (lbs.)	70-120 lbs.	20-35 lbs.
Height at Shoulder	26-34 inches.	16-20 inches.
Coloration	Black, white, all shades of gray and tan, grizzled. Never spotted.	All shades of gray and tan; white or black very rare. Never spotted.
Tail	Hangs down or straight out; never curls.	Hangs down or straight out; never curls.
General Appearance	Massive, long legged. First impression at long distance is often calf or deer.	Delicate, medium size, dog-like proportions with foxlike face.
Ears	Rounded, relatively short; never hang down.	Pointed, relatively long; never hang down.
Muzzle	Large and blocky.	Long and pointed.
Track	4 ½ - 5 inches long with claws.	2-3 inches long with claws.



Gray wolves are managed and protected under the Oregon Wolf Conservation and Management Plan and associated technical rules. Also, west of Oregon Highways 395/78/95, wolves are federally listed as endangered under the federal Endangered Species Act and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is the lead management agency.

The 2017 Oregon minimum wolf population was 124 wolves. Twelve packs were documented and eleven of those packs met the criteria as breeding pairs. During 2017, known wolf groups occurred in parts of Baker, Grant, Jackson, Klamath, Lake, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, and Wallowa Counties, but furtakers could observe wolves or wolf sign anywhere in Oregon. Maps of areas of know wolf activity in Oregon are available at [www.dfw.state.or.us/Wolves/index.asp](http://www.dfw.state.or.us/Wolves/index.asp). If proper precautions are observed, wolf presence should not affect most trapping activities. The following tips help minimize the risk of accidental capture.

**Avoid trapping in areas with common or recent wolf sign.** Learn how to identify wolf sign. Before setting coyote or other large furbearer traps, look for wolf sign in the area. Wolves are highly mobile and can travel large distances daily. However, trapping in areas with common or recent wolf sign increases the chance of accidental wolf capture.

Actual Size  
Wolf Track – 4 ½" to 5" Long

**Improve coyote trapping systems to reduce the chance of capturing wolves or losing traps.** Smaller traps for coyotes (#3 or smaller) reduce the chance of holding a trapped wolf. Double staking or cross pinning stakes (metal, 18-24 inches long) can prevent trap loss. Wolves are strong enough to pull out shorter stakes, especially in soft ground. Staked traps should have about eight inches (8") or less of chain and a stout swivel system. Reinforce links by welding if necessary.

**When using a drag system, use heavy drags and chains with stout swivels.** Make sure all links are welded and swivels are strong. The drag system should be heavy enough to hold a 100+ pound animal. Traps anchored to a drag should have a minimum of seven feet (7') feet of chain. Reinforce links by welding if necessary.

**Use a high-quality snare with breakaways.** Snares should be well anchored and have a long cable. Be mindful of where and how the snare is placed relative to obstacles such as logs, as these could entangle an animal caught incidentally, preventing the breakaway from working properly. Again, avoid hanging snares on trails that have or have had wolf sign.

Actual Size  
Coyote Track – 2" to 3" Long

**REPORT WOLF ACTIVITY:**

Because of their knowledge of predators and animal sign, licensed trappers can play an important role in the conservation and management of wolves in Oregon. Please report any wolf observations or sign online through ODFW's web site ([www.dfw.state.or.us/wolves](http://www.dfw.state.or.us/wolves)) or by calling the department's Wolf Coordinator at 541-962-1850, or US Fish and Wildlife Service at 541-786-3282. Information such as the number and description of animals observed, track measurements, and other sign is extremely valuable to current wolf monitoring efforts. By working cooperatively, ODFW can improve wolf location information while helping trappers avoid accidental capture.

**IF A WOLF IS CAUGHT IN A TRAP, IMMEDIATELY CALL ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:**  
 ODFW Wolf Coordinator 541-962-1850 or local ODFW office  
 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service 541-786-3282  
 Oregon State Police Dispatch Center 541-664-4600

# UTAH FURBEARER

2018-2019 GUIDEBOOK



## CONTACT US

### Turn in a poacher

Phone: 1-800-662-3337

Email: [turninapoacher@utah.gov](mailto:turninapoacher@utah.gov)

Online: [wildlife.utah.gov/utip](http://wildlife.utah.gov/utip)

### Division offices

Offices are open 8 a.m.–5 p.m.,  
Monday through Friday.

#### Salt Lake City

1594 W North Temple  
Box 146301  
Salt Lake City, UT 84114-6301  
801-538-4700

#### Central Region

1115 N Main Street  
Springville, UT 84663  
801-491-5678

#### Northeastern Region

318 N Vernal Avenue  
Vernal, UT 84078  
435-781-9453

#### Northern Region

515 E 5300 S  
Ogden, UT 84405  
801-476-2740

#### Southeastern Region

319 N Carbonville Road, Ste A  
Price, UT 84501  
435-613-3700

#### Southern Region

1470 N Airport Road  
Cedar City, UT 84721  
435-865-6100

#### Washington County Field Office

451 N SR-318  
Hurricane, UT 84737  
435-879-8694

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## HIGHLIGHTS

### Authorize someone to check your traps:

Starting this year, you may—with detailed, written authorization—allow someone else to set and check your traps. For more information about this change and what's required, see page 15.

**Bobcat removal and tagging:** Whether you find a bobcat in one of your traps, or in a trap you have written authorization to check, you must possess and carry a valid bobcat permit issued in **your** name. Then, if you kill the bobcat, you must attach your own tags to the carcass. For additional details, see page 11.

### Changes to predator control program:

In 2018, the Utah Legislature and Utah Wildlife Board approved changes to Utah's predator control program. These changes included new requirements to prevent fraud and improve data collection. For details, see page 25.

### Trap registration license required:

You must possess a valid trap registration license when you use any trapping device capable of capturing or killing protected wildlife. You must also have that license on your person when setting or checking trapping devices. For more information about this requirement, please see [wildlife.utah.gov/trapping-faq.html](http://wildlife.utah.gov/trapping-faq.html). For details on obtaining the license and any exemptions that apply, see page 9.

### Trapping coyotes and raccoons:

Because coyote and raccoon traps are capable of capturing or killing protected wildlife, Utah's trapping laws apply to individuals who are trapping coyotes and raccoons. For details, see the information box on page 21.

## KNOW THE LAWS

This guidebook summarizes Utah's furbearer hunting laws and rules. Although it is a convenient quick-reference document for Utah's furbearer regulations, it is not an all-encompassing resource.

For an in-depth look at the state's furbearer hunting laws and rules, visit [wildlife.utah.gov/rules](http://wildlife.utah.gov/rules).

You can use the references in the guidebook—such as Utah Code § 23-20-3 and Utah Administrative Rule R657-11-4—to search the Division's website for the detailed statute or rule that underpins the guidebook summary.

If you have questions about a particular rule, call or visit the nearest Division office.

### Who makes the rules?

The Utah Wildlife Board passes the rules summarized in this guidebook.

There are seven board members, and each serves a six-year term. Appointed by the governor, board members are not Division employees.

The Division's director serves as the board's executive secretary but does not have a vote on wildlife policies.

Before board members make changes to wildlife rules, they listen to recommendations from Division biologists. They also receive input from the public and various interest groups via the regional advisory council (RAC) process.

If you have feedback or suggestions for board members, you can find their contact information online at [wildlife.utah.gov](http://wildlife.utah.gov).

### Wildlife Board members

Kevin Albrecht	Kirk Woodward, <i>Chair</i>
Calvin Crandall	Byron Bateman, <i>Vice Chair</i>
Steve Dalton	Mike Fowlks,
Karl Hirst	<i>Division Director &amp;</i>
Donnie Hunter	<i>Executive Secretary</i>

**Trap registration numbers:** If you already have a valid trap registration number, but you don't have a physical copy of it, please contact a Division office to receive a duplicate copy, free of charge. You can also download the *Utah Hunting and Fishing* app and carry an electronic copy of your trap registration license on your mobile device. See page 9 for details.

**Bobcat permits available:** There is no cap on the total number of bobcat permits available for the 2018–2019 season. From Oct. 1–31, 2018, you can purchase bobcat permits at [wildlife.utah.gov](http://wildlife.utah.gov) and from license agents and Division offices. For more information, see page 10.

**Maximum of six bobcat permits:** This year, you may obtain no more than six bobcat permits. For more information on obtaining a permit, see page 10.

**Check season dates:** Season dates change every year. For a complete list of furbearer season dates, see page 25.

### Trappers Association reward program

Every year, thieves steal valuable traps from Utah trappers.

The Utah Trappers Association is offering a reward—up to \$500—to individuals who report trap theft to the Division, which results in a successful prosecution. If you see someone stealing a trap, report it through the Division's poaching hotline at 1-800-662-3337.

If you encounter traps while outdoors, you have a legal obligation to respect that private property. At the same time, trappers have an ethical obligation not to set traps in areas where they are likely to be encountered by the general public or their pets.

**Bobcat permit/tag format:** Bobcat temporary possession tags and jaw tags are attached to bobcat permits. For more information on how to attach these tags to a bobcat, please read *Tagging bobcats* on page 11.

**Trapping muskrats on WMAs:** Certain trappers are authorized to remove muskrats from state-owned wildlife management areas (WMAs). You can learn more about that process at [wildlife.utah.gov/WMAtrapping](http://wildlife.utah.gov/WMAtrapping), starting in October.

**Obtain permanent tags:** You may obtain permanent marten and bobcat tags—by appointment only—at any Division office. Marten tags will be available Sept. 22, 2018 through March 8, 2019. Bobcat tags will be available Nov. 14, 2018 through March 8, 2019. You can also obtain permanent tags at the Utah Trappers Association Fur Sale on Feb. 8–9, 2019.

**Restrictions to protect river otters:** Some rivers have trapping restrictions. See page 15 to learn more.

**Checking traps after dark:** A trapper on foot may use a flashlight to check traps after dark, and furbearers caught in these trapping devices may be harvested by shooting at any time. Harvesting furbearers by methods other than trapping remains restricted to 30 minutes before sunrise until 30 minutes after sunset. Please read *Hunting and trapping methods* on page 14 for details and restrictions.

**Accidental trapping of protected species:** Black-footed ferret, lynx and wolf are protected species under the Endangered Species Act. If you accidentally trap or capture one of these species, you must immediately report it to the Division and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. See page 18 for details.

## Don't lose your hunting and fishing privileges

If you commit a wildlife violation, you could lose the privilege of hunting and fishing in Utah. The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources can suspend the license of anyone who knowingly, intentionally or recklessly violates wildlife laws. Your license can be suspended for a wildlife violation if:

- You are convicted.
- You plead guilty or no contest.
- You enter a plea in abeyance or diversion agreement.

Suspension proceedings are separate and independent from criminal prosecution. The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources may suspend your license privileges whether or not the court considers suspension in your criminal case. You will be notified of any action against your privilege after criminal proceedings conclude. And remember, if your license is suspended in Utah, you may not be permitted to hunt or fish in most other states. (Visit [wildlife.utah.gov/know-the-consequences.html](http://wildlife.utah.gov/know-the-consequences.html) to see a map of participating states.)



### Native American trust lands and national wildlife refuges:

If you want to trap on Native American trust lands and national wildlife refuges in Utah, you should first check with the respective tribal authority or refuge manager.

**Corrections:** If errors are found in this guidebook after it is printed, the Division will correct them in the online copy. Visit [wildlife.utah.gov/guidebooks](http://wildlife.utah.gov/guidebooks) to view all of the Division's guidebooks.

**Protection from discrimination:** The Division receives federal financial assistance from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the U.S.

Department of the Interior and its bureaus prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability or sex. If you believe that you have been discriminated against in any program, activity or facility, or if you desire further information, please visit [www.doi.gov/pmb/eo/public-civil-rights.cfm](http://www.doi.gov/pmb/eo/public-civil-rights.cfm).

**Private lands:** The Division cannot guarantee access to any private land. Under certain circumstances, you must obtain written permission from the landowner or the landowner's authorized representative before hunting or trapping on private lands. To learn more, please see *Trespassing* on page 22.

**Division funding:** The Division is mostly funded by the sale of hunting and fishing licenses and through federal aid made possible by an excise tax on the sale of firearms and other hunting- and fishing-related equipment.

## KEY DATES AND FEES

### Important dates

Marten permits available	Sept. 6, 2018– March 1, 2019
Permanent marten tags available	Sept. 22, 2018– March 8, 2019
Bobcat permits and temporary possession tags available	Oct. 1–31, 2018
Permanent bobcat tags available	Nov. 14, 2018– March 8, 2019
Utah Trappers Association Fur Sale	Feb. 8–9, 2019

### Season dates

Badger, gray fox, kit fox, ringtail, spotted skunk and weasel	Sept. 22, 2018– March 1, 2019
Beaver and mink	Sept. 22, 2018– April 3, 2019
Bobcat	Nov. 14, 2018– March 1, 2019
Marten	Sept. 22, 2018– March 1, 2019
Muskrat, red fox and striped skunk	Year round

### Fees

#### Furbearer

Resident license*	\$29
Nonresident license*	\$154

#### Bobcat permits

Resident permit	\$15 each (up to 6)
Nonresident permit	\$45 each (up to 6)

#### Marten permits

Marten permit	No charge
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#### Trap registration license

Resident	\$10 (payable once)
Nonresident	\$10 (payable once)

#### Certificates of registration

Fur dealer	\$160
Fur dealer's agent	\$160
Fur dealer renewal	\$40
Fur dealer's agent renewal	\$40

\*Furbearer licenses are valid for 365 days from the day you buy them.

## BASIC REQUIREMENTS

Utah Code §§§§ 23-18-2, 23-18-6, 23-19-1, 23-20-3 and Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-3

Are you planning to hunt or trap bobcats, martens or other furbearers in Utah this year? Before you can obtain any necessary permits, you must meet a few basic requirements—and obtain a trap registration license—if you are trapping furbearers, coyotes or raccoons. This section provides more information about trap registration licenses and how you can obtain one.

### Are you old enough?

In Utah, there are no age restrictions for individuals who can hunt and trap furbearers.

However, if you're under the age of 16—and hunting with any weapon—you must be accompanied in the field by your parent, a legal guardian or a responsible person 21 years of age or older (see below).

### Adults must accompany young hunters

Utah Code § 23-20-20

While hunting with any weapon, a person under 14 years old must be accompanied

by his or her parent, legal guardian or other responsible person who is 21 years of age or older and who has been approved by the parent or guardian.

A person at least 14 years old and under 16 years old must be accompanied by a person 21 years of age or older while hunting with any weapon.

The Division encourages adults to be familiar with hunter education guidelines or to complete the hunter education course before accompanying youth into the field.

While in the field, the youth and the adult must remain close enough for the adult to see

### What am I required to carry in the field?

Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-8

The licenses and permits you're required to carry depend on what you are hunting or trapping.

If you're using any trapping device that's capable of catching or killing protected wildlife, you must have a trap registration license on your person. This requirement applies even if you are trapping coyotes or raccoons.

If you're trapping furbearers, you must have both a furbearer license and a trap registration license on your person while in the field. If any of those furbearers include bobcat or marten, you must also have the appropriate bobcat or marten permit on your person.

If you're checking someone else's furbearer traps for them, you must have all of the following on your person: a valid furbearer license, a trap registration license, the appropriate permits or tags, and written authorization from the owner of the trapping device. (For details about what that written authorization must include, see page 15.) **Important:** You may not check someone else's traps if any of your licenses or permits are denied or suspended.

Please keep in mind that if you download the free *Utah Hunting and Fishing* app, you can store both your furbearer license and your trap registration license on your mobile phone or tablet.



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and provide verbal assistance to the young hunter. Using electronic devices, such as walkie-talkies or cell phones, does not meet this requirement.

## Have you passed furharvester education?

*Utah Code § 23-19-11.5 and Utah Admin. Rule R657-23-6*

If you are a Utah resident born after Dec. 31, 1984, you must provide proof that you've passed a furharvester education course approved by the Division before you can:

- Obtain a furbearer license
- Obtain a bobcat permit
- Obtain a marten permit

You can prove that you've completed furharvester education if you have a certificate of completion from your furharvester education course or if you have a verified furharvester education number on file with the Division. That number is assigned when you complete furharvester education.

If you are applying for a resident furbearer license for the first time—and you completed furharvester education in another state or country—you must provide a valid furhar-

vester education number and the name of the state, province or country that issued the number. The Division may research this number to verify that the course you completed meets Utah's standards for safe and responsible trapping.

For more information on how to complete Utah's furharvester education course, visit [wildlife.utah.gov/huntereducation](http://wildlife.utah.gov/huntereducation).

## Do you have a furbearer license?

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-3*

You must have a valid Utah furbearer license before you can:

- Hunt, trap or harvest most furbearers
- Check someone else's traps for them (only with additional written authorization, see page 15)
- Obtain or use a bobcat permit
- Use a marten permit

Furbearer licenses are available at [wildlife.utah.gov](http://wildlife.utah.gov) and from license agents and Division offices.

You do not need a furbearer license to hunt, harvest or trap coyotes, muskrats, raccoons, red foxes or striped skunks. You do,

however, need a trap registration license to set a trapping device for any species (see details below).

## Do you have a trap registration license?

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-8*

You must possess a valid trap registration license when trapping furbearers, coyotes or raccoons.

The only exception is for those who are trapping coyotes or raccoons within 600 feet of a building or structure occupied or used by humans or livestock.

You can obtain a trap registration license by calling or visiting a Division office. There is a one-time \$10 license fee for a new trap registration license.

For more detailed information about meeting this requirement, please see [wildlife.utah.gov/trapping-faq.html](http://wildlife.utah.gov/trapping-faq.html).

**Important:** If you already have a valid trap registration number, but you don't have a physical copy of it, please contact a Division office. We can provide you with a duplicate copy free of charge. You can also download the *Utah Hunting and Fishing* app and carry an electronic copy of your license on your mobile device.

When you receive a trap registration license, it will have a unique, permanent trap registration number printed on it. You must ensure that all of your trapping devices are permanently and legibly marked or tagged with your trap registration number. (This requirement does not apply to trapping devices set for coyotes or raccoons within 600 feet of a building or structure occupied or used by humans or livestock.)

No more than one trap registration number may be on a single trapping device. For additional information about trap registration numbers and using and checking your trapping devices, see page 14.

## Carry your licenses and permits

You must have your furbearer license and trap registration license—and any bobcat or marten permits—on your person while setting, checking or moving trapping devices. You cannot alter your licenses or permits, nor can you sell, transfer, give, loan or assign them to another person.

## Utah's Walk-in Access program

The Walk-in Access (WIA) program provides hunters, anglers and trappers access to privately owned land, streams, rivers, ponds or reservoirs.

If you want to participate in the program—and you are 14 years old or older—please remember that you must obtain a WIA authorization number in order to access any WIA properties.

The Division uses the numbers to track who's using WIA properties throughout the year and to assess the program's value to the public.

Visit [wildlife.utah.gov/walkinaccess](http://wildlife.utah.gov/walkinaccess) to obtain your free WIA authorization number. You can also call 1-800-221-0659 to obtain a number.

## OBTAINING PERMITS

If you want to hunt or trap bobcat or marten in Utah, you'll need a permit in addition to your furbearer license. This section describes how to obtain bobcat and marten permits.

If you were born after Dec. 31, 1984, you must have proof of furharvester education before you can purchase a bobcat or marten permit. For more information, see page 8 or visit [wildlife.utah.gov/huntereducation](http://wildlife.utah.gov/huntereducation).

### Bobcat permits

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-4*

Beginning Oct. 1, 2018 at 8 a.m. MDT, you may purchase bobcat permits at [wildlife.utah.gov](http://wildlife.utah.gov) or from any license agent or Division office. You may purchase no more than six permits.

Bobcat permits will be sold until 11 p.m. MDT on Oct. 31, 2018. There is no cap on the total number of permits that will be sold.

You must have your current furbearer license, bobcat permit and trap registration license on your person while hunting or trapping a bobcat.

If you obtain a bobcat permit in 2018, it is valid for the entire 2018–2019 bobcat season.

### Marten permits

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-6*

Marten permits are available free of charge from any Division office, beginning Sept. 6, 2018. (Please keep in mind that you only need one marten permit in order to trap marten during the 2018–2019 season.)

### Residency

*Utah Code §§ 23-13-2(13) and 23-13-2(37)*

Before you purchase a furbearer license, it's important to know whether you are a legal resident of the state of Utah for the purposes of hunting, fishing or trapping. See the definition of residency on page 28 to determine whether you are a resident or a nonresident.

You must have a current furbearer license, a marten-trapping permit and a trap registration license on your person when you trap a marten or have a marten in your possession.

### Duplicate license or permit

*Utah Code § 23-19-10 & Utah Admin. Rule R657-42*

If your valid furbearer license is destroyed, lost or stolen, you may obtain a duplicate from a Division office or license agent. To obtain a duplicate bobcat or marten permit, you must visit a Division office.

The duplicate will cost \$10, or half of the price of the original license or permit, whichever is less.

If you already have a valid trap registration number, but you don't have a physical copy of your trap registration license, please contact a Division office. We can provide you with a duplicate copy of the license free of charge.

You can also download the *Utah Hunting and Fishing* app and carry electronic copies of your furbearer and trap registration licenses on your mobile device.

### Sales final: Exceptions and refunds

*Utah Code § 23-19-38 and Utah Admin. Rule R657-42*

Some hunters and trappers successfully obtain licenses or permits and then realize—for one reason or another—that they won't be able to use them.

In most cases, the Division cannot refund the cost of the license or permit, but there are some exceptions. To determine whether you are eligible for a refund or to download a refund-request form, visit [wildlife.utah.gov/refund](http://wildlife.utah.gov/refund).

## OBTAINING AND USING TAGS

As soon as you harvest a bobcat or marten, you need to attach the temporary possession tags. Then, you should plan a time to have a Division employee attach the permanent tag.

### Tagging bobcats

*Utah Code § 23-20-30 & Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-5*

You may only kill and tag a bobcat if you possess a valid bobcat permit issued in **your** name and you find a bobcat in your own marked trapping device or a trapping device you have written authorization to check. You must have both the permit and tags on your person when checking the traps. (See page 15 for the requirements you must meet to check someone else's trapping devices.)

After you kill a bobcat—but before you move the bobcat's carcass or leave the site of the kill—you are required to attach **your own** bobcat tags to the carcass. (See the illustration on the next page to review the two tags attached to the permit. There's one tag for the pelt and one for the jaw.)

The tagging process requires you to:

- Completely detach the tags from the permit
- Remove the notches that correspond with the harvest date and the animal's sex
- Complete the required county and license number information at the bottom of the tag
- Attach the temporary possession tag to the unskinned carcass or green pelt so that the tag remains securely fastened and visible

Later, you can remove the lower jaw of the bobcat and tag it with the numbered jaw tag that corresponds to the number on the pelt tag.

While tagging a bobcat, you may not remove more than one notch indicating date or sex, nor can you tag more than one bobcat using the same tag.

The temporary possession tag must remain attached to the green pelt or unskinned carcass until a permanent bobcat tag has been affixed.

You may not use a bobcat permit to hunt, trap or pursue bobcat after any of the notches have been removed from the temporary possession tag or the tag has been detached from the permit. Possession of an untagged green pelt or unskinned carcass is considered probable cause of unlawful taking and possession.

### Permanent possession tags for bobcat and marten

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-7*

If you harvest a bobcat or marten, you must have a Division employee attach a permanent possession tag to the pelt no later than the second Friday in March.

You may not buy, sell, trade or barter a green pelt from a bobcat or marten that does not have a permanent tag affixed.

### Obtaining permanent tags

When you bring a bobcat pelt into a Division office, a Division employee will attach a permanent tag and take possession of the bobcat's lower jaw. When you bring in a marten pelt, a Division employee will simply attach a permanent tag.

You can also have permanent possession tags attached at the Utah Trappers Association Fur Sale.

Bring any marten pelt to one of the following locations:

- A Division office listed on page 2. Visits are by appointment only from Sept. 22, 2018 through March 8, 2019.
- The Utah Trappers Association Fur Sale on Feb. 8–9, 2019.

If you have bobcat pelts, bring them to one of the following locations:

- A Division office listed on page 2. Visits are by appointment only from Nov. 14, 2018 through March 8, 2019.
- The Utah Trappers Association Fur Sale on Feb. 8–9, 2019.
- There is no fee for the permanent tags. You will receive them after the employee verifies the bobcat was tagged with the temporary possession tag that corresponds to your bobcat permit. The employee will also review your furbearer license.

### Transporting pelts to obtain tags

Bobcats and martens that were legally harvested may be transported by someone other than the furharvester to have the permanent tag affixed.

If you transport a bobcat or marten for another person, you must have written authorization that includes all of the following information:

- Date of kill
- Location of kill
- Species and sex of animal being transported
- Origin and destination of transportation
- The name, address, signature and furbearer license number of the furharvester
- The name of the individual transporting the bobcat or marten
- The furharvester's marten permit number, if marten is being transported

You can download an authorization form at [wildlife.utah.gov/furbearer](http://wildlife.utah.gov/furbearer) that makes it easy to collect all of the required information.

### Animals harvested outside of Utah

Green pelts of bobcats and martens that were legally harvested outside of the state may not be possessed, bought, sold, traded or bartered in Utah unless one of the following conditions applies:

- A permanent tag has been affixed.
- The pelts are accompanied by a shipping permit issued by the wildlife agency of the state where the animal was harvested.

## FIELD REGULATIONS

Several rules govern hunting and trapping in Utah. These rules exist to help keep you safe and to ensure an ethical hunt. Whether you're targeting furbearers, coyotes or raccoons, please be familiar with the requirements for legally using trapping devices. You should also know the different types of hunting methods you may use and what you're required to do with any animals you harvest.

### Checkpoints and officer contacts

*Utah Code §§ 23-20-25 and 77-23-104*

Division conservation officers and biologists monitor the harvest and possession of furbearers. They may also stop hunters and trappers to ensure they have the required licenses, permits, firearms and trapping equipment. You should expect to encounter conservation officers and biologists checking hunters in the field and at checkpoints.

If you're contacted by a conservation officer, you must provide the officer with the items he or she requests. These may include

any licenses, permits and tags required for hunting, any devices used to participate in hunting and any game you've taken. These contacts allow the Division to collect valuable information about Utah's furbearer populations.

### Participating in surveys

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-23*

If the Division contacts you about your furharvesting experience, please participate in the survey regardless of your success. Your participation helps the Division evaluate population trends, assess harvest success and collect other valuable information.

### Avoid nontarget species

The following recommendations can help you avoid catching cougars, domestic animals and other nontarget species in trapping devices set for bobcats and other furbearers.

- Use traps with smaller jaw spreads. For example, a number 2 trap is big enough to catch bobcats, but the larger foot of a cougar may spring the trap without getting caught.
- Avoid using 4-coiled traps. A 2-coiled trap is sufficient to hold bobcats and coyotes, but larger animals like cougars or domestic animals should be able to pull out of the trap.
- Anchor foothold traps solidly to the ground. A cougar or other large animal will have a better chance of pulling out of a trap that is solidly anchored.
- When using a cable device, reduce the loop size and set it about eight inches off the ground. A smaller loop size won't fit around a cougar's head, and if the loop is set low, it will likely miss the heads of most large nontarget animals. You may not use a drag with a cable device—they are prohibited.
- If you catch a cougar kitten, remove traps from the area to avoid catching additional kittens.
- If you know that cougars are in a particular area, find another place to trap. Cougars usually displace bobcats from areas that they frequent.
- Avoid setting traps near trails that are frequently used by people and dogs.
- Avoid using baits that are likely to attract pets or other nontarget species.

## Aiding or assisting in violations

*Utah Code § 23-20-23*

You may not aid or assist another person to violate any provisions of the Wildlife Resources Code, rule or guidebook.

The penalty for aiding or assisting is the same as that imposed for the primary violation.

## Hunting and trapping methods

### Harvest methods and shooting hours

*Utah Code §§ 23-20-3, 23-20-12 & Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-12*

You may harvest all furbearers—except for bobcats and marten—by any legal means, excluding explosives and poisons. While hunting and trapping, you may not use the illegal spotlighting methods described on page 20.

Bobcats may be taken only by shooting or trapping, or with the aid of dogs.

Marten may be taken only with an elevated, covered set in which the maximum trap size shall not exceed 1½ foothold or 160 Conibear.

Harvesting furbearers by shooting or with the aid of dogs is restricted to 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset, unless you have a permit from the county to spotlight coyote, red fox, striped skunk or raccoon. For more information on spotlighting, see page 20.

Furbearers caught in a trapping device may be taken by shooting at any time.

You may check trapping devices and remove animals at any time of day or night, except on certain waterfowl management areas. For more information, see page 20.

You may not take any wildlife from an airplane or any other airborne vehicle or device (including drones), or from any motorized

terrestrial or aquatic vehicle, including snowmobiles and other recreational vehicles.

### Trap registration numbers

*Utah Admin. Rules R657-11-8 & R657-11-9*

Each trapping device you use to trap furbearers, coyotes or raccoons must be permanently and legibly marked with your trap registration number.

Your trap registration number is printed on your trap registration license, which is required if you plan to trap furbearers, coyotes or raccoons. For more information about obtaining a trap registration license, see page 9.

You will be assigned only one trap registration number. This is your permanent number, and you should mark it on each of your trapping devices. The only exception is for trapping devices set for coyotes or raccoons within 600 feet of a building or structure occupied by humans or livestock.

You may not have more than one registration number on your traps.

You must notify the Division within 30 days if you change your address or if your trapping devices are stolen.

### Trapping devices

*Utah Code § 23-13-4 & Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-9*

Any foothold trap used to take a furbearer, coyote or raccoon must have spacers on the jaws that leave an opening of at least 3/16 of an inch when the jaws are closed. The only exceptions to this requirement are the following types of traps:

- Rubber-padded jaw traps
- Traps with jaw spreads less than 4.25 inches
- Traps that are completely submerged under water when set

Any cable device (i.e., snare) used to take a furbearer, coyote or raccoon—except those set in water or with a loop size less than three inches in diameter—must be equipped with a breakaway lock mechanism that will release

### Trap restrictions to protect river otters

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-9*

To protect Utah's river otter populations, there are trapping-device restrictions for the following areas:

- Colorado River, between the Utah-Colorado state line and Lake Powell
- Escalante River, between Escalante and Lake Powell
- Green River, between Flaming Gorge Dam and the Utah-Colorado state line
- Middle section of the Provo River, between Jordanelle Dam and Deer Creek Reservoir

If you are trapping for a furbearer, coyote or raccoon within 100 yards of either side of these four rivers—or their tributaries—and up to one-half mile from their confluences, you may use only the following trapping devices:

- Nonlethal-set foothold trapping devices with a jaw spread less than 5 1/8 inches, and nonlethal-set padded foothold traps. Drowning sets with these traps are prohibited.
- Body-gripping, killing-type trapping devices with body-gripping area less than 30 square inches.
- Nonlethal dry-land cable trapping devices equipped with a stop-lock mechanism that prevents it from closing to less than a six-inch diameter.
- Size 330, body-gripping, killing-type trapping devices modified by replacing the standard V-trigger assembly with one top side-parallel trigger assembly, with the trigger placed within one inch of the side, or butted against the vertical turn in the Canadian bend (see figure on the next page).

when any force greater than 300 pounds is applied to the loop. Breakaway cable devices must be fastened to an immovable object solidly secured to the ground. The use of drags is prohibited.

### Setting and checking traps

You may not set any trapping device on posted private property without the landowner's or lessee's written permission.

If you see an illegally set trapping device, notify a conservation officer as soon as possible. While performing their duties, conservation officers may seize all traps, trapping devices and wildlife used or held in violation of the rules in this guidebook.

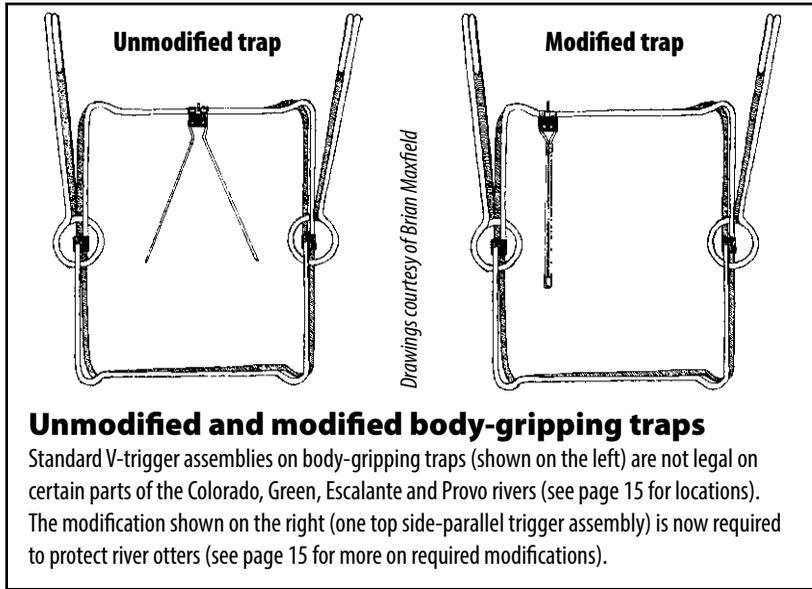
All trapping devices used to take a furbearer, coyote or raccoon must be checked, and any animals removed, at least once every 48 hours. The only exception is if you are using the following types of traps, which must be checked, and have any animals removed, every 96 hours:

- Killing traps that strike the top and bottom of the animal simultaneously
- Drowning sets
- Lethal cable devices that are set to capture on the neck, that have a nonrelaxing lock without a stop, and that are anchored to an immovable object

If you are unable to check your own traps, you may authorize another person to check them for you. Only someone who possesses your written authorization, a valid furbearer license and trap registration license—and the necessary permits to check traps and remove protected wildlife—may check your traps in your absence. See *Removing traps and trapped wildlife* in the next section for all wildlife-removal requirements.

You may not remove any of the following from a trapping device and then transport or possess them:

- Live protected wildlife
- A live coyote or raccoon



### Unmodified and modified body-gripping traps

Standard V-trigger assemblies on body-gripping traps (shown on the left) are not legal on certain parts of the Colorado, Green, Escalante and Provo rivers (see page 15 for locations). The modification shown on the right (one top side-parallel trigger assembly) is now required to protect river otters (see page 15 for more on required modifications).

Any live animal found in a trapping device must be euthanized and removed from the device by the trapper within the 48-hour trap-check period or released immediately by the trapper unharmed.

**Important:** The trapping restrictions in this section do not apply to trapping devices set for coyotes or raccoons, as long as those devices are within 600 feet of a building occupied or used by humans or domestic livestock.

### Removing traps and trapped wildlife

You may not disturb or remove any trapping device unless you are one of the following individuals:

- The owner of the trapping device
- A person who meets all the legal requirements and has the owner's written authorization (see column to the right)
- A peace officer performing routine duties
- The landowner where the trapping device is set
- A domestic pet owner who is disturbing the trapping device in order to remove their trapped pet

You may not kill or remove wildlife caught in a trap, unless you are:

- The owner of the trapping device who possesses the permit, license, tag or legal authorization required for the species that is captured
- A person who meets all the legal requirements and has the owner's written authorization (see details below)
- A peace officer performing routine duties

A person, other than the owner, may possess, set, disturb or remove a trapping device—or temporarily possess, kill or remove wildlife caught in a trap—as long as he or she meets all of the following requirements:

- The trapping device is appropriately marked with the owner's trap registration number.
- The person possesses a valid furbearer license and appropriate permits or tags when working with furbearer sets.

**Important:** If the animal in the trap is a bobcat, the person who kills the bobcat must possess—and be carrying—a valid bobcat permit issued in their **own** name. They must then attach their own

tags to the carcass. For additional details, see page 11.

- The person's trap registration license or furbearer license are neither denied nor suspended.
- The person has obtained written authorization from the owner of the trapping device with the following information printed on the authorization in permanent ink:
  - The date written authorization was obtained
  - The name, address and phone number of the owner
  - The owner's trap registration number
  - The name of the individual being given authorization
  - The owner's signature

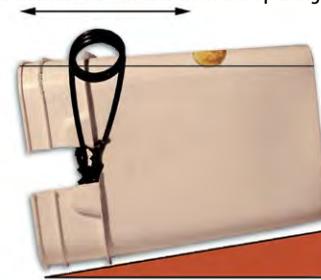
You can find an easy-to-complete authorization card online at [wildlife.utah.gov/TrapForm](http://wildlife.utah.gov/TrapForm).

**Nothing in this section authorizes a person to use the owner's trap registration license, furbearer license, permit or tag.**

While you're hunting and trapping, you may not possess any trapping device that is not permanently marked or tagged with your registered trap number unless you have received

### Artificial cubby set

This manufactured container has an opening on one end that houses a trapping device. Bait must be 8 inches from the opening.



Tilt the trap so bait cannot be seen from above.



Artificial cubby sets must be placed with the top of the opening even with or below the bottom of the bait so that the bait is not visible from above.

### Did it get wet? Decontaminate it!

Before you leave a trapping area and step into another water, rinse all the mud and other debris off of your waders, boots and wetted trapping gear or equipment.

Then, generously spray all of it—especially the soles of boots or waders—with Formula 409 (a popular household cleaner). This treatment will kill any whirling disease spores.

After you return home, thoroughly clean and dry all of your gear before using it again.

written permission as described above.

If your registered trap number is on a trapping device, you can be held criminally liable and civilly responsible for any violations committed with that device. This rule still applies if you've authorized someone else to use the device. That's why it's important to report stolen trapping devices to the Division as soon as possible.

You must also keep a record of the individuals who have written authorization to

remove your traps, and supply a copy of that record to a conservation officer, upon request.

**Important:** The trapping restrictions in this section do not apply to trapping devices set for coyotes or raccoons, as long as those devices are within 600 feet of a building occupied or used by humans or domestic livestock.

### Use of bait

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-10*

In most instances, you may not use protected wildlife or its parts as bait to take a furbearer, coyote or raccoon. The only exceptions are as follows:

- You may use the white-bleached bones of protected wildlife with no hide or flesh attached.
- You may use parts of legally taken furbearers and nonprotected wildlife.

You may not set trapping devices for furbearers, coyotes or raccoons within 30 feet of any exposed bait.

### Are you allowed to possess a weapon?

*Utah Code §§ 76-10-503 and 76-10-512*

It is illegal under Utah Code §§ 76-10-503 and 76-10-512 to possess or use a firearm, muzzleloader or any other dangerous weapon if you have been charged or convicted of certain offenses.

The purchase or possession of any hunting license, permit, tag or certificate of registration from the Division does not authorize the holder to legally possess or use a firearm, muzzleloader or any other dangerous weapon while hunting if they are otherwise restricted from possessing these weapons under Utah Code.

To determine whether you are allowed to possess a weapon, please review the Utah Code sections listed above or contact the law enforcement agency that oversees your case.

Trapping devices may be placed near carcasses of protected wildlife, provided the carcass has not been moved for the purpose of trapping and the trapping device is not located within 30 feet of the carcass.

White-bleached bones with no hide or flesh attached may be set within 30 feet of a trapping device.

Bait used inside an artificial cubby set must be placed at least eight inches from the opening.

Artificial cubby sets must be placed with the top of the opening even with or below the bottom of the bait so that the bait is not visible from above.

If you use bait, you can be held responsible if it becomes exposed for any reason.

**Important:** The trapping restrictions in this section do not apply to trapping devices set for coyotes or raccoons, as long as those devices are within 600 feet of a building occupied or used by humans or domestic livestock.

### Accidental trapping

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-11*

Any protected wildlife accidentally caught and found alive in a trapping device must be immediately released unharmed by a person authorized to do so. (See page 16 to see a list of individuals who are authorized to remove protected wildlife from a trap.)

If you accidentally trap protected wildlife, you must report it to the Division within 48 hours.

You must obtain permission from a Division representative to remove the carcass of any protected wildlife accidentally caught in one of your trapping devices. After removing the carcass, you must turn it over to the Division.

Black-footed ferret, lynx and wolf are protected species under the Endangered Species Act. If you accidentally trap or capture any of these federally protected species, you must immediately report it to both the U.S.

### Areas closed to beaver and mink harvest

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-25*

The following areas are closed to beaver and mink harvest at all times:

- Beaver County—Pine Creek
- Box Elder County—Basin Creek drainage
- Cache County—Right Hand Fork and Temple Fork drainages (tributaries of the Logan River), Rock Creek and Curtis Creek drainages (tributaries of Blacksmith Fork River) and Beaver Creek
- Emery County—San Rafael River
- Garfield County—Hunt Creek (west of U.S. Forest Service boundary)
- Grand County—Willow Creek, Bitter Creek and Sweetwater drainages
- Garfield and Kane counties—East Fork of the Sevier River and tributaries above Blue Fly Creek
- Garfield and Iron counties—Bear Creek drainage and the following creeks above Panguitch Lake: Blue Springs Creek, Bunker Creek and Deer Creek

- Rich County—Big Creek (above ranches), Randolph Creek, Woodruff Creek (above Woodruff Reservoir) and Pine Creek, Dip Hollow and Peggy Hollow within the U.S. Forest Service boundary
- Summit County—Boundary begins at SR-150 and USFS Rd 058; east on this USFS road to USFS Rd 073; east on this road to USFS Rd 072; north on this road to the Utah-Wyoming state line; east on this state line to USFS Rd 017; southeast on this road to USFS Rd 077; south on this road to USFS Rd 082; east on this road to USFS Rd 078; east on this road to USFS Rd 086; east on this road to the Daggett-Summit county line; south on this county line to the Summit-Duchesne county line (summit of the Uinta Mountains); west on this county line to SR-150 at Hayden Pass; north on SR-150 to USFS Rd 058.

There are also trapping-device restrictions on parts of the Colorado, Escalante, Green and Provo rivers, including their tributaries and some of the surrounding land. You can read more about these restrictions in the information box on page 15.

Fish and Wildlife Service and the Division.

If you capture or kill an unauthorized species of protected wildlife in a trapping device, you are not criminally liable under state law as long as all of the following circumstances apply:

- You were not attempting to take the unauthorized species.
- You possess a valid trap registration license or a valid written authorization from the owner of the trapping device.
- You possess the licenses, permits and tags required to trap the targeted wildlife species.
- You otherwise comply with the

provisions of Utah's Wildlife Code and all regulations that apply to trapping the targeted wildlife species.

### Loaded firearms in a vehicle

*Utah Code §§§§ 76-10-502, 76-10-504, 76-10-505 and 76-10-523*

You may not carry a loaded firearm in or on a vehicle unless you meet all of the following conditions:

- You own the vehicle or have permission from the vehicle's owner.
- The firearm is a handgun.
- You are 18 years of age or older.

A pistol, revolver, rifle or shotgun is considered to be loaded when there is an unexpended cartridge, shell or projectile in the firing position.

Pistols and revolvers are also considered to be loaded when an unexpended cartridge, shell or projectile is in a position whereby the manual operation of any mechanism once would cause the unexpended cartridge, shell or projectile to be fired.

A muzzleloading firearm is considered loaded when it is capped or primed and has a powder charge and ball or shot in the barrel or cylinders.

The firearm restrictions in this section do not apply to concealed firearm permit holders, provided the person is not utilizing the concealed firearm to hunt or take wildlife.

## Areas where you cannot discharge a firearm

*Utah Code § 76-10-508*

You may not discharge a dangerous weapon or firearm under any of the following circumstances:

- From a vehicle
- From, upon or across any highway
- At power lines or signs
- At railroad equipment or facilities, including any sign or signal
- Within Utah state park camp or picnic sites, overlooks, golf courses, boat ramps or developed beaches
- Without written permission from the owner or property manager, within 600 feet of:
  - A house, dwelling or any other building
  - Any structure in which a domestic animal is kept or fed, including a barn, poultry yard, corral, feeding pen or stockyard

## Spotlighting

*Utah Code §§ 23-20-3, 76-10-504, 76-10-523 and Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-13*

You may not use spotlighting to hunt or harvest protected wildlife.

You may not use a spotlight, headlight or other artificial light to locate any protected wildlife while having in your possession a firearm or other weapon or device that could be used to take or injure protected wildlife.

The use of a spotlight or other artificial light in any area where protected wildlife are generally found is considered probable cause of attempting to locate protected wildlife.

The provisions of this section do not apply to the following individuals:

- A person who uses the headlights of a motor vehicle—or other artificial light—in a usual manner, where there is no attempt or intent to locate protected wildlife.
- A trapper who uses an artificial light to illuminate the path and trap sites for the purpose of conducting the required trap checks. In this instance, the trapper must carry the artificial light. It cannot

## Trapping on waterfowl management areas

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-26*

Trapping wildlife, including nonprotected species, on state waterfowl management areas (WMAs) is prohibited, unless specifically authorized by the Division.

The Division uses limited trapping on WMAs to protect wildlife populations and to prevent burrowing damage to the dikes.

To apply for the opportunity to trap muskrats and other furbearers on these WMAs, please visit [wildlife.utah.gov/WMAtrapping](http://wildlife.utah.gov/WMAtrapping) in October.

## Trapping coyotes and raccoons

*Utah Code § 4-23-101 and Utah Admin. Rules R657-11 and R58-14*

The Department of Agriculture and Food has regulatory authority over the state's coyotes and raccoons.

Although the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources does not manage these species, it does have responsibility and authority over trapping and the use of trapping devices capable of catching or killing protected wildlife.

Trapping devices—even those set for coyotes and raccoons—frequently capture and kill other animals. The Division regulates trapping and the use of trapping devices to reduce the capture of nontargeted protected species.

This guidebook references both coyotes

and raccoons in regulations about the use of trapping devices. Those regulations are in place to:

and raccoons in regulations about the use of trapping devices. Those regulations are in place to:

- Reduce the capture and killing of nontargeted protected wildlife
- Improve the likelihood of successfully releasing nontargeted protected wildlife
- Detect illegal trap sets that target protected wildlife
- Protect law-abiding trappers from criminal liability if they accidentally capture nontargeted protected wildlife

For detailed information on the use of trapping devices in Utah, see pages 14–19 of this guidebook. For more information about the trap registration license requirement, see page 9 or visit [wildlife.utah.gov/trapping-faq.html](http://wildlife.utah.gov/trapping-faq.html).

be a motor vehicle headlight or a light attached to or powered by a motor vehicle. And while checking trapping devices with an artificial light, the trapper may not occupy or operate any motor vehicle.

Some counties allow spotlighting if a hunter is trying to harvest coyote, red fox, striped skunk or raccoon. See Utah Code § 23-13-17 and your county laws and ordinances for more information.

Even if your county's laws do not permit spotlighting, you may still use spotlighting to hunt coyote, red fox, striped skunk or raccoon if you are one of the following individuals:

- A landowner (or landowner's agent) who is protecting crops or domestic animals from predation by those animals
- A Wildlife Services agent, acting in an official capacity under a memorandum of understanding with the Division.

The firearm restrictions in this section do not apply to concealed firearm permit holders, provided the person is not utilizing the concealed firearm to hunt or take wildlife.

## Carrying a dangerous weapon while under the influence of alcohol or drugs

*Utah Code § 76-10-528*

You may not carry a dangerous weapon or hunt furbearers, coyotes or raccoons while under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Please see [wildlife.utah.gov/rules](http://wildlife.utah.gov/rules) for more information.

## Use of dogs

*Utah Code § 23-20-3 and Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-14*

You may use dogs to pursue or harvest furbearers from 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset, and only during the open seasons listed in this guidebook. See page 25 for season dates and bag limits.

## Wolf management in Utah

Wolves are protected under the federal Endangered Species Act throughout most of Utah. In a small portion of northern Utah (north of I-80 and east of I-84), wolves have been removed from the Endangered Species List, and the state has authority to manage them.

The general public may not hunt, kill or trap wolves.

To learn about wolf management in Utah, visit [wildlife.utah.gov/wolf](http://wildlife.utah.gov/wolf).

If you are the owner or handler of the dogs, you must have a valid furbearer license in your possession while you are pursuing or harvesting a furbearer.

When dogs are used to pursue furbearers, the licensed hunter who intends to take the furbearer must be present when the dogs are released. Then, the licensed hunter must continuously participate in the hunt until it ends.

## Use of weapons on waterfowl management areas

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-9-9*

You may only discharge a shotgun (with non-toxic shot) or archery tackle on the following waterfowl management areas and other Division-managed properties during the specified waterfowl hunting seasons or as authorized by the Division:

- Box Elder County—Harold S. Crane, Locomotive Springs, Public Shooting Grounds and Salt Creek
- Daggett County—Brown's Park
- Davis County—Farmington Bay, Howard Slough and Ogden Bay
- Emery County—Desert Lake
- Juab County—Mills Meadow

- Millard County—Clear Lake and Topaz Slough
- Sanpete County—Manti Meadows
- Tooele County—Blue Lake and Timpie Springs
- Uintah County—Stewart Lake
- Utah County—Powell Slough, Utah Lake Wetland Preserve
- Wayne County—Bicknell Bottoms
- Weber County—Ogden Bay and Harold S. Crane

You may not discharge a firearm, crossbow or archery tackle on any of the areas listed above any time of the year except during the specified waterfowl hunting seasons or as authorized by the Division.

The firearm restrictions in this section do not apply to concealed firearm permit holders, provided the person is not utilizing the concealed firearm to hunt or take wildlife.

## State parks

*Utah Code § 76-10-508 and Utah Admin. Rule R651-614-4*

Hunting and trapping any wildlife is prohibited within the boundaries of all state park areas, except those designated open to hunting by the Utah Division of State Parks and Recreation in *Utah Admin. Rule R651-614-4*.

For information about discharging a dangerous weapon or firearm in a state park, see *Areas where you cannot discharge a firearm* in the previous section or review *Utah Code § 76-10-508*.

## Trespassing

*Utah Code §§ 23-20-14 and 23-20-3.5*

While taking wildlife or engaging in wildlife-related activities, you may not—without permission—enter or remain on privately owned land that is:

- Cultivated
- Properly posted
- Fenced or enclosed in a manner designed to exclude intruders

In addition, you may not:

- Enter or remain on private land when directed not to do so by the owner or a person acting for the owner.
- Obstruct any entrance or exit to private property.

“Cultivated land” is land that is readily identifiable as land whose soil is loosened or broken up for the raising of crops, land used for the raising of crops, or a pasture that is artificially irrigated.

“Permission” means written authorization from the owner or person in charge to enter upon private land that is cultivated or properly posted. Permission must include all of the following details:

- The signature of the owner or person in charge
- The name of the person being given permission
- The appropriate dates
- A general description of the land

“Properly posted” means that signs prohibiting trespass—or bright yellow, bright orange or fluorescent paint—are clearly displayed at all corners, on fishing streams crossing property lines, and on roads, gates and rights-of-way entering the land. Or, they are displayed in a manner that is visible to a person in the area.

You may not post private property you do not own or legally control or land that is open to the public as provided by *Utah Code § 23-21-4*. In addition, it is unlawful to take protected wildlife or its parts while trespassing in violation of *Utah Code § 23-20-14*.

You are guilty of a class B misdemeanor if you violate any provision described in this section. Your license, tag or permit privileges may also be suspended.

## Restricted areas

Utah military installations (including Camp Williams) and federal wildlife refuges are closed to hunting, trapping and trespassing, unless otherwise authorized.

If you are hunting on Native American trust lands, you must observe the tribe's wildlife regulations.

## Wildlife management areas

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-32*

Most Division-owned wildlife management areas (WMAs) are closed to motor vehicles. You may only access one of these areas in a motor vehicle if you have already obtained written authorization from the appropriate Division regional office.

Goshen Warm Springs WMA is closed to all hunting, trapping and trespassing.

## Possession, sale and transportation

### Transporting furbearers

*Utah Code § 23-13-4 & Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-16*

You may only transport the green pelts of furbearers if you possess the appropriate license and permits. If you have harvested bobcat or marten, they must be correctly tagged. For more information on attaching temporary and permanent tags, see page 11.

A registered Utah fur dealer—or that person's agent—may transport or ship green pelts of furbearers within Utah.

## Bring clean bobcat jaws and pelts

Before you bring the lower jaw and pelt of a bobcat to a Division office for permanent tagging, please remove as much flesh as possible.

You should also allow the jaw and pelt to dry in the open air. Do not use a storage or transport container made of plastic—use a paper bag or cardboard box instead. This will help prevent the jaw from decaying.

No one may transport or possess live protected wildlife, except as permitted by Utah Admin. Rule R657-3.

You do not need a furbearer license in order to transport green pelts of coyote, muskrat, raccoon, red fox or striped skunk.

## Exporting furbearers from Utah

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-17*

You may not export or ship the green pelt of any furbearer from Utah without first obtaining a valid shipping permit from the Division.

You do not need a shipping permit in order to export green pelts of coyote, muskrat, raccoon, red fox or striped skunk from Utah.

## Sales

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-18*

If you possess a valid furbearer license, you may sell, offer for sale, barter or exchange only those species you were licensed to take and that you legally harvested.

Any person who obtains a valid fur dealer or fur dealer's agent certificate of registration may buy, sell or trade green pelts or parts of furbearers within Utah.

Fur dealers (or their agents and taxidermists) must keep records of all transactions dealing with green pelts of furbearers. Those records must contain all of the following information:

- The transaction date
- The name, address, license number and tag number of each seller

If the ownership of a pelt changes, the above information must be listed on a receipt issued to the new owner.

You may possess legally acquired furbearers and tanned hides—without possessing a furbearer license—as long as you can provide proof of legal ownership.

A furbearer license is not required to sell or possess coyote, muskrat, raccoon, red fox or striped skunk or their parts.

## Wasting wildlife

*Utah Code § 23-20-8 & Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-19*

You may not waste—or permit to be wasted or spoiled—any protected wildlife or its parts.

You may, however, leave the skinned carcass of a furbearer in the field. This action does not constitute waste of wildlife.

## Depredation

### Badger, weasel and spotted skunk

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-20*

If a badger, weasel or spotted skunk is creating a nuisance or causing damage, you may harvest it at any time—without a license—as long as you do not sell or trade the animal or its parts.

### Red fox and striped skunk

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-20*

Red fox and striped skunk may be taken at any time without a furbearer license.

### Bobcat

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-21*

A Wildlife Services agent may remove or harvest a depredating bobcat as long as the agent is supervised by the USDA Wildlife Services program and following Division-approved procedures.

A livestock owner or the owner's employee may take bobcats that are harassing livestock. The employee must be on a regular payroll and not hired specifically to take furbearers.

Any bobcat harvested by a livestock owner or an employee must be surrendered to the Division within 72 hours.

### Beaver

*Utah Code § 23-18-4 & Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-22*

If a beaver is causing damage or exhibiting other nuisance behavior, you may harvest or remove it during closed seasons, but you must first obtain a nuisance permit from a Division office or conservation officer.

# SEASON DATES AND BAG LIMITS

*Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-25*

## Badger

- Season dates: Sept. 22, 2018–March 1, 2019
- Areas open: Statewide\*
- Bag limit: No limit

## Beaver

- Season dates: Sept. 22, 2018–April 3, 2019
- Areas open: Statewide\*, **except the areas listed in the information box on page 19.**
- Bag limit: No limit
- Notes: There are trapping-device restrictions on and near sections of the Colorado, Escalante, Green and Provo rivers. See the information box on page 15 for more information.

## Bobcat

- Season dates: Nov. 14, 2018–March 1, 2019
- Areas open: Statewide\*
- Bag limit: One per permit, up to a maximum of six
- Possession limit: One per permit, up to a maximum of six

## Coyote

- The Department of Agriculture regulates coyotes, and you do not need a furbearer license to harvest them. To learn more, visit [wildlife.utah.gov/UDAF](http://wildlife.utah.gov/UDAF).
- Participants in Utah's predator control program receive compensation for removing coyotes. To learn more about this program, see the information box on this page or visit [wildlife.utah.gov/predators](http://wildlife.utah.gov/predators).

\* National wildlife refuges, Native American trust lands and waterfowl management areas may have special regulations.

## Gray fox

- Season dates: Sept. 22, 2018–March 1, 2019
- Areas open: Statewide\*
- Bag limit: No limit

## Recent changes to Utah's predator control program

In 2018, the Utah Legislature and Utah Wildlife Board approved changes to Utah's predator control program.

These changes included new requirements to prevent fraud, improve data collection and ensure proactive management of the program's budget.

Program participants will be required to obtain a certificate of registration, meet certain standards for the coyotes they submit and begin using a new online application. For detailed information about these new requirements—and how they might affect you—visit [wildlife.utah.gov/predators](http://wildlife.utah.gov/predators).

The predator control program launched after the Utah Legislature passed the Mule Deer Protection Act in 2012. The program provides incentives for members of the public to remove coyotes for the benefit of Utah's mule deer populations. Participants in the program receive up to \$50 for each properly documented coyote that they kill in Utah.

## Kit fox

- Season dates: Sept. 22, 2018–March 1, 2019
- Areas open: Statewide\*
- Bag limit: No limit
- **Important:** The kit fox is on Utah's sensitive species list. The Division encourages trappers to release all kit fox unharmed.

## Marten

- Season dates: Sept. 22, 2018–March 1, 2019
- Areas open: Daggett, Duchesne, Summit and Uintah counties\*
- Bag limit: No limit
- Notes: Marten may be taken only with an elevated, covered set in which the maximum trap size shall not exceed 1½ foothold or 160 Conibear.

## Mink

- Season dates: Sept. 22, 2018–April 3, 2019
- Areas open: Statewide\*, **except the areas listed in the information box on page 19.**
- Bag limit: No limit
- Notes: There are trapping-device restrictions on and near sections of the Colorado, Escalante, Green and Provo rivers. See the information box on page 15 for more information.

## Muskrat

- Season dates: Year round
- Areas open: Statewide\*
- Bag limit: No limit
- Notes: You do not need a furbearer license to harvest muskrat. You will need a special permit if you plan to trap

muskrat on a Waterfowl Management Area. For more information, visit [wildlife.utah.gov/WMAtrapping](http://wildlife.utah.gov/WMAtrapping) in October.

## Raccoon

- The Department of Agriculture regulates raccoons, and you do not need a furbearer license to harvest them. To learn more, visit [wildlife.utah.gov/UDAF](http://wildlife.utah.gov/UDAF).

## Red fox

- Season dates: Year round
- Areas open: Statewide\*
- Bag limit: No limit
- Notes: You do not need a furbearer license to harvest red fox.

## Ringtail

- Season dates: Sept. 22, 2018–March 1, 2019
- Areas open: Statewide\*
- Bag limit: No limit

## Spotted skunk

- Season dates: Sept. 22, 2018–March 1, 2019
- Areas open: Statewide\*
- Bag limit: No limit

## Striped skunk

- Season dates: Year round
- Areas open: Statewide\*
- Bag limit: No limit
- Notes: You do not need a furbearer license to harvest striped skunk.

## Weasel

- Season dates: Sept. 22, 2018–March 1, 2019
- Areas open: Statewide\*
- Bag limit: No limit

## DEFINITIONS

*Utah Code § 23-13-2 and Utah Admin. Rule R657-11-2*

**Artificial cubby set** means any manufactured container with an opening on one end that houses a trapping device.

**Bait** means any lure containing animal parts larger than one cubic inch, with the exception of white-bleached bones with no hide or flesh attached.

**Cage trap** means any enclosure containing a one-way door triggered by a treadle or pan that prevents escape of an animal after the door closes.

**Carcass** means the dead body of an animal or its parts.

**Certificate of registration** means a document issued under the Wildlife Resources Code, or any rule or proclamation of the Wildlife Board granting authority to engage in activities not covered by a license, permit or tag.

**Domicile** means the place:

- where an individual has a fixed permanent home and principal establishment;
- to which the individual if absent, intends to return; and
- in which the individual and the individual's family voluntarily reside, not for a special or temporary purpose, but with the intention of making a permanent home.

To create a new domicile an individual must:

- abandon the old domicile; and
- be able to prove that a new domicile has been established.

**Exposed bait** means bait that is visible from any angle, except when used in an artificial cubby set.

**Foothold trap** means any underspring or jump trap, longspring trap or coil-spring trap with two smooth arms or jaws that come together when an animal steps on a pan in the center of the trap.

**Furbearer** means species of the *Bassariscidae*, *Canidae*, *Felidae*, *Mustelidae* and *Castoridae* families, except coyote and cougar.

**Fur dealer** means any individual engaged in, wholly or in part, the business of buying, selling, or trading skins or pelts of furbearers within Utah.

**Fur dealer's agent** means any person who is employed by a resident or nonresident fur dealer as a buyer.

**Good condition** means the carcass is fresh or frozen and securely wrapped to prevent decomposition so that the tissue remains suitable for analysis.

**Green pelt** means the untanned hide or skin of any furbearer.

**Livestock** means cattle, sheep, goats and turkeys.

**Nonresident** means a person who does not qualify as a resident.

**Owner** means the person who has been issued a trap registration number associated with one or more trapping devices.

**Permit** means a document, including a stamp, that grants authority to engage in specified activities under the Wildlife Resources Code or a rule or proclamation of the Wildlife Board.

\* National wildlife refuges, Native American trust lands and waterfowl management areas may have special regulations

**Possession** means actual or constructive possession.

**Protected wildlife** means the animals defined in the “wildlife” definition below. It does not include coyote, field mouse, gopher, ground squirrel, jackrabbit, muskrat and raccoon.

**Pursue** means to chase, tree, corner or hold a furbearer at bay.

**Resident** means a person who has a domicile (fixed permanent home and principal establishment) in Utah for six consecutive months immediately preceding the purchase of a license or permit, AND DOES NOT claim residency for hunting, fishing or trapping in any other state or country.

An individual retains Utah residency if he or she leaves Utah to serve in the armed forces of the United States, or for religious or educational purposes, and does NOT claim residency for hunting, fishing or trapping in any other state or country.

Members of the armed forces of the United States and dependents are residents as of the date the member reports for duty under assigned orders in Utah, if:

- The member is NOT on temporary duty in Utah and does NOT claim residency for hunting, fishing or trapping in any other state or country.
- The member presents a copy of his or her assignment orders to a Division office to verify the member’s qualification as a resident.

A nonresident attending an institution of higher learning in Utah as a full-time student may qualify as a resident if the student has been present in Utah for 60 consecutive days immediately preceding the purchase of the

license or permit and does NOT claim residency for hunting, fishing or trapping in any other state or country.

A Utah resident license or permit is invalid if a resident license for hunting, fishing or trapping is purchased in any other state or country.

An individual DOES NOT qualify as a resident if he or she is an absentee landowner paying property tax on land in Utah.

**Scent** means any lure—composed of material of less than one cubic inch—that has a smell intended to attract animals.

**Sell** means to offer or possess for sale, barter, exchange or trade. It is also the act of selling, bartering, exchanging or trading.

**Tag** means a card, label or other identification device issued for attachment to the carcass of protected wildlife.

**Take** means to hunt, pursue, harass, catch, capture, possess, angle, seine, trap or kill any protected wildlife; or to attempt any of the aforementioned actions.

**Trapping** means taking protected wildlife with a trapping device.

**Trapping device** means any apparatus used to remotely capture or kill an animal, including a cage trap, foothold trap, snare wire or any other body-gripping mechanism.

**Wildlife** means crustaceans—including brine shrimp and crayfish—and all vertebrate animals living in nature, except feral animals.

# 2018/2019

## Furbearing Animal Hunting or Trapping Seasons

Valid through July 31, 2019

### Wyoming Game and Fish Commission



Trap and snare specifications  
and check periods.  
See pages 17 and 18.

Department Website: <http://wgfd.wyo.gov>

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## LICENSE/STAMP FEES

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Resident Furbearer Hun ng or Trapping.....	\$45.00
Resident Youth Furbearer Hun ng or Trapping (Under 17 years).....	\$6.00
All Resident Furbearer Hun ng or Trapping licenses are available from license selling agents, Department Regional O ces and Cheyenne Headquarters.	
Nonresident Furbearer Hun ng or Trapping (Adult and Youth).....	\$249.00
Nonresident Furbearer Hun ng or Trapping licenses are available only through Cheyenne Headquarters.	
Resident Fur Dealer.....	\$54.00
Nonresident Fur Dealer.....	\$285.00
Resident and Nonresident Fur Dealer licenses Are available only through Cheyenne Headquarters.	
License to Capture Furbearing Animals for Domes ca on.....	\$21.00
License to Capture Furbearing Animals for Domes ca on are available only through Cheyenne Headquarters.	
Wildlife Damage Management Stamp.....	\$10.00

**LEAST WEASEL.** State law lists the “weasel” as a furbearing animal. Three weasel species are present in Wyoming: long-tailed weasel, short-tailed weasel (ermine) and least weasel. The least weasel is very small and its fur has negligible value. The species is quite rare and li le is known concerning its distribu on. Trappers are asked to make every a empt to avoid trapping the least weasel. The Department requests that unintentional trapping of a least weasel be reported to the Department’s Nongame Sec on by telephoning 1-800-654-7862 in an e ort to preserve the specimen for scien c use.

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## IMPORTANT HUNTER INFORMATION

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**DISCLAIMER.** The following sec ons are a condensed summary of applicable wildlife laws and other important informa on. This summary is in no way intended to alter the content or statutory intent of those laws. If you have any ques ons regarding the precise language, you can view a copy of the State Statutes (Title 23) and Wyoming Game and Fish Commission (Commission) Regula ons, available at the Cheyenne Headquarters, Department Regional O ces, the Department website or consult the following websites: <http://soswy.state.wy.us> or <http://legisweb.state.wy.us>.

**ACCESS ON LANDS ENROLLED IN THE DEPARTMENT'S WALK-IN AREAS OR HUNTER MANAGEMENT AREAS.** Access to private lands enrolled in the Walk-in or Hunter Management Program is granted only for the species of wildlife and for the time periods specified in Department publications. Travel by motorized vehicle is prohibited, except as otherwise stated. Hunters wishing to use enrolled private lands for any other wildlife species, activity or time period must obtain permission from the landowner or person in charge of the property. Department publications or signs shall serve as official regulations of the Commission and may advise of additional restrictions. The landowner or person in charge of the property may grant permission for motorized vehicle travel contrary to that specified by Department signs or publications.

**ACCESS YES PROGRAM.** The Access Yes Program was established to help address the difficulties of finding places to hunt and fish. Hunters and anglers can voluntarily donate any whole dollar amount to Access Yes when they purchase or apply for a license. Contributions are used to secure additional public hunting and fishing access on private lands and inaccessible public lands. Donating helps support the program, but does not provide or imply access to all private or inaccessible public lands in Wyoming.

**ARTIFICIAL LIGHT FOR HUNTING PROHIBITED; EXCEPTION.** No person shall take any wildlife with the aid of or by using any artificial light or lighting device except that predators may be taken with the aid of an artificial light or lighting device by:

(i) A public officer authorized to and conducting predator control;

(ii) A landowner, resident manager or person with the landowner's or a resident manager's written permission to take predators, on land under the landowner's control for the protection of their property.

It is prima facie evidence of a violation if a person uses an artificial light in an area that may be inhabited by wildlife while having in their possession and control any device for taking wildlife. This shall not prohibit the hunting on foot of raccoon with the aid of a handlight, provided the hunter is accompanied by a raccoon hunting dog and, if hunting on private land(s), has the written permission of the landowner or their agent.

**BAIT RESTRICTIONS.** No person shall take a game animal, game bird or game fish and use any part thereof for bait to hunt, trap or poison any wildlife of Wyoming.

**CHECK STATIONS.** Every hunter, angler, or trapper entering or leaving areas for which check stations have been established shall stop and report at the check station if the check station is on the hunter's, angler's or trapper's route to and from the hunting or fishing area. This requirement applies even if the person does not have wildlife in possession. Game and fish licensees shall produce their licenses, permits or stamps as required by regulation for any game animals, game birds, fish or furbearing animals in their possession for inspection upon request by any authorized department representative.

**CLOSED AREAS.** All areas within the state of Wyoming not opened by specific order of the Commission shall be closed to the taking of game animals, furbearing animals and game birds.

**CONSERVATION STAMP.** Persons exercising privileges under a furbearer hunting or trapping license are not required to obtain a conservation stamp.

**DEFINITIONS.**

**“Accompanied by a mentor”** means being directly supervised at all times by a mentor who is within sight and direct voice contact.

**“Artificial light or lighting device”** means any man-made light or lighting device which projects a visible light outside the device, or any electronic device that provides an enhanced ability to see in the dark.

**“Designated road”** means an established road marked with a white arrow sign.

**“Domicile”** means that place where a person has his true, fixed and permanent home to which whenever the person is temporarily absent the person has the intention of returning. To prove domicile as required by Wyoming Statutes § 23-1-102 and § 23-1-107 a person shall be able to establish that he: physically resides in Wyoming; has made his permanent home in Wyoming; is not residing in Wyoming for a special or temporary purpose; and, has abandoned his domicile in all other states, territories or countries.

**“Electronic Licensing Service (ELS)”** means the Department’s Electronic Draw Application System, Internet Point of Sale System and Online Internet Sales System used by the Department, license selling agents and the public to apply for or purchase licenses, permits, stamps, tags and preference points.

**“Established road”** means any road or trail that has been graded or constructed to carry motor vehicles or on which repeated legal motor vehicle traffic has created well-defined tracks.

**“Furbearing animal”** means badger, beaver, bobcat, marten, mink, muskrat or weasel.

**“License”** means a document issued by the Department, through the authority of the Commission, to a qualified individual that grants certain privileges to take fish or wildlife in accordance with statutory or regulatory provisions.

**“Mentee”** means a person who has received special authorization from the Department to take wildlife and who has not received a certificate of competency and safety in the use and handling of firearms.

**“Mentor”** means a person who is at least eighteen (18) years of age, can demonstrate they have a certificate of competency and safety in the use and handling of firearms, possesses a valid Wyoming hunting license and is directly supervising not more than one (1) mentee, other than immediate family members, at a time while in the field.

**“Nonresident”** means any person not a resident.

**“Orders”** means orders, rules and regulations.

**“Permit”** means a document that authorizes a license holder to carry out activities not authorized by the license itself.

**“Predacious bird”** means English sparrow and starling.

**“Predatory animal”** means coyote, jackrabbit, porcupine, raccoon, red fox, skunk or stray cat. “Predatory animal” also means gray wolf located outside the Wolf Trophy Game Management Area and Seasonal Wolf Trophy Game Management Area as described in W.S. § 23-1-101 (a) (xii) (B) (I) and (II).

**“Protected animal”** means black-footed ferret, fisher, lynx, marten, pika or wolverine.

**“Protected bird”** means migratory birds as defined and protected under federal law.

**“Public road or highway”** (except as otherwise provided) means any roadway that is open to vehicular travel by the public. The road surface, the area between the fences on a fenced public road or highway, and an area thirty (30) feet perpendicular to the edge of the road surface on an unfenced public road or highway shall be considered the public road or highway. Two-track trails on public lands are not public roads.

**“Resident”** means a United States citizen or legal alien who is domiciled in Wyoming for at least one (1) full year immediately preceding making application for any resident game and fish license, preference point, permit or tag, shall not have claimed

residency in any other state, territory or country for any other purpose during that one (1) year period, and meets the requirements specified in Wyoming Statutes § 23-1-102 and § 23-1-107.

**"Small game animal"** means cottontail rabbit or snowshoe hare, and fox, grey and red squirrels.

**"Take"** means hunt, pursue, catch, capture, shoot, sh, seine, trap, kill or possess, or attempt to hunt, pursue, catch, capture, shoot, sh, seine, trap, kill or possess.

**"Trap"** means the taking of a furbearing animal or predatory animal by trap, snare or with a firearm or archery equipment.

**DISABLED HUNTER INFORMATION.** Contact the Cheyenne Headquarters or any Department Regional Office for specific information.

**DOMESTICATION OF FURBEARING ANIMALS.** Any resident person who desires to capture furbearing animals for domestication or propagation shall apply for a license to capture furbearing animals for the purpose of domestication or propagation. The Department may issue the license under such restrictions as it deems necessary. Applications are available from the Cheyenne Headquarters, Department Regional Offices and game wardens. A person must also apply for and receive a Chapter 10 Regula on Permit for Importa on, Possession, Con nement, Transporta on, Sale and Disposi on of Live Wildlife prior to capturing and possessing any live furbearing animal.

**DUPLICATE AND REPLACEMENT LICENSE ISSUED UPON LOSS OR DESTRUCTION OF ORIGINAL; PURCHASE AND FEES.**

When any license issued has been lost or destroyed, the licensee may secure a duplicate of the original license from the Cheyenne Headquarters, any Department Regional Office or designated license selling agents. A duplicate license shall be issued if the original license **contained a carcass coupon**. A replacement license shall be issued if the original license **did not contain a carcass coupon**. The licensee may secure a replacement license at the Cheyenne Headquarters, Department Regional Offices or from ELS agents. The Department shall charge a fee of seven dollars (\$7) for each duplicate or replacement license.

**EMERGENCY CLOSURES.** The Commission may institute an emergency closure to shorten the season in any area at any time if a harvest quota is reached or if an emergency arises warranting the closure. Should a closure become necessary after the season opens, no refunds will be given for unused licenses.

**FUR DEALER LICENSES AND TAGGING REQUIREMENTS.** Any person engaging in the business of buying, collecting, selling or shipping raw furs, other than hides from cloven hoof big game animals, shall apply for and obtain a resident fur dealer's license or a nonresident fur dealer's license prior to commencing the business. Fur dealer licenses are only available from the Cheyenne Headquarters. Residents shall apply through their local game warden. Nonresidents must apply through the Cheyenne Headquarters. Licensed fur dealers may receive, purchase, store, handle, ship, sell, transport and deliver hides from cloven hoof big game animals within or outside the state without tagging the hides with a Wyoming interstate game tag so long as proper records are kept. Fur dealers bringing hides or furs lawfully obtained in another state into Wyoming shall not remove any tag, ta oo, mark or other identification attached to or placed upon the hide or fur by the authorities of another state.

**HUNTER SAFETY/MENTOR PROGRAM; EXEMPTION.** Except as otherwise provided, no person born on or after January 1, 1966, may take wildlife by the use of firearms on land other than that

of their own family, unless that person can demonstrate they have obtained a certificate of competency and safety in the use and handling of firearms. Attendance and successful completion of a hunter safety course offered by an association or governmental agency approved by the Commission satisfies the requirements of this section.

- Any active member, honorably discharged past member or veteran of the armed forces of the United States and any active or retired Wyoming peace officer qualified pursuant to W. S. § 9-1-701 through § 9-1-707 may obtain an exemption from the hunter safety requirement. Hunter safety exemption applications are available at the Cheyenne Headquarters and Department Regional Offices. This hunter safety exemption is not valid for hunting elk within Grand Teton National Park (Hunt Areas 75 and 79), or for persons acting as mentors in the Hunter Mentor Program.
- A person who has not received a certificate of competency and safety in the use and handling of firearms may apply to the Department for a special authorization to take wildlife with the use of a firearm while being accompanied by a person acting as a mentor. A special authorization shall be valid for one (1) year from the date of issue and shall be in the possession of the recipient at all times while in the field. The application process may be completed on the Department website. Any person acting as a mentor shall be at least eighteen (18) years of age, shall possess a valid hunting license, and shall demonstrate they have successfully completed a hunter safety course. A mentor shall not provide supervision for more than one (1) person at a time in the field, other than immediate family members, and shall accompany the mentee at all times to provide constant supervision.
- A person under fourteen (14) years of age who has not yet received a hunter safety certificate may take small game and game birds while being accompanied by a mentor who possesses a valid Wyoming small game or game bird license.

**LICENSE EXPIRATION.** Furbearing animal hunting or trapping licenses expire on the last day of the calendar year for which issued.

**LICENSE FRAUD PROHIBITED; INVALIDATION BY IMPROPER FEES.** Department licenses, permits, stamps, tags or coupons shall not be altered by anyone other than authorized Department personnel. No license, permit, stamp, tag or coupon shall be transferred or used for the purpose of taking wildlife except by the individual to whom it was issued and therein named and while in that individual's possession. No individual shall take or attempt to take any wildlife using another individual's license, permit, stamp, tag or coupon. Any license, permit, stamp, or tag shall not be valid unless the proper fees have been received by the Department. Any Wyoming Game and Fish law enforcement officer may seize as evidence any license, permit, stamp or tag that was obtained in violation of Commission regulations or Wyoming statutes.

**PERMISSION TO HUNT, FISH, TRAP OR COLLECT ANTLERS OR HORNS.** No person shall enter upon the private property of any person to hunt, fish, trap or collect antlers or horns without the permission of the landowner or person in charge of the property. The license must bear the signature of the landowner, lessee or agent of the landowner on whose private property the person is accessing or other legitimate proof as evidence that permission to hunt has been granted.

**PRECAUTIONS WHEN HUNTING IN AREAS OCCUPIED BY GRIZZLY BEARS.** Hunters and anglers are reminded that grizzly bears occupy many areas in and around the Bridger-Teton, Shoshone and Caribou-Targhee National Forests in

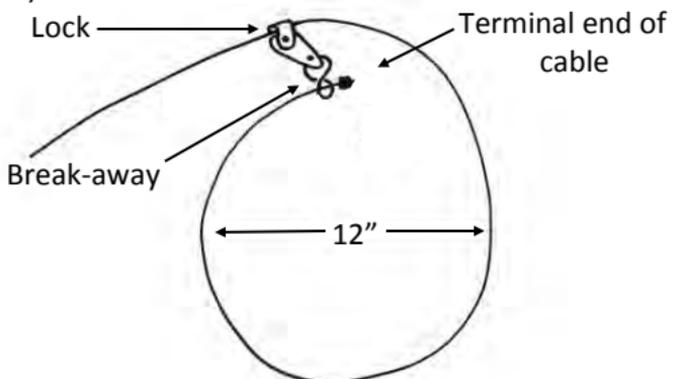
northwest Wyoming. The Department strongly recommends individuals working and recreating in these areas take precautions, including carrying bear pepper spray, to avoid conflicts with grizzly bears. Information about human safety and proper storage of food and other attractants in occupied grizzly habitat is available from the Cheyenne Headquarters, Department Regional Offices, U.S. Forest Service Offices and the Department website. Regulations concerning food/carcass storage in occupied grizzly habitat can be obtained from the U.S. Forest Service. Report all conflicts with grizzly bears to the nearest Department Regional Office.

For information about staying safe in bear country, visit the Department bear wise page: <https://wgfd.wyo.gov/wildlife-in-wyoming/more-wildlife/large-carnivore/grizzly-bear-management/bear-wise-wyoming>.

**PROHIBITED ACTS. IT IS ILLEGAL TO:**

- Intentionally tamper with or remove a trap or snare; or, release or remove a furbearing animal or predator from a trap or snare that is set and maintained in compliance with Wyoming statutes and Commission regulations.
- Shoot or attempt to kill any wildlife from any public road or highway. No person shall fire any firearm from, upon, along or across any public road or highway. No person shall knowingly fire any rifle from the enclosed lands of one person onto or across the enclosed lands of another without the permission of both persons.
- Use any dog to hunt, run or harass any big or trophy game animal, protected animal or furbearing animal except as otherwise provided by statute. The Commission shall regulate the use of dogs to take mountain lions and bobcats during hunting or trapping seasons.
- Use any aircraft with the intent to spot, locate and aid in the taking of any game animal from August 1 through January 31 of the following calendar year. Nothing in this Section shall apply to the operation of an aircraft in a usual manner where there is no attempt or intent to locate any game animal, such as aircraft used for the sole purpose of passenger transport.
- Take and leave, abandon or allow the edible portion of any game bird, game fish or game animal (except trophy game animal) to intentionally or needlessly go to waste.
- Transport illegally taken wildlife across state lines; such transportation is a violation of the Federal Lacey Act.
- Harass, pursue, hunt, shoot or kill any Wyoming wildlife except predatory animals with, from or by use of any firing machine, automobile vehicle, trailer, motor-propelled wheeled vehicle or vehicle designed for travel over snow. The Commission may exempt handicapped hunters from any of these provisions. It is also illegal to shoot waterfowl from a boat under power or sail.

**SNARE BREAK-AWAYS AND LOOP SIZE.** All snares used for furbearing or predatory animals shall be equipped with a break-away device (i.e., shear pin, J hook, S hook, cable ferrule, etc.) located at the junction of the snare lock and the terminal end of the cable and shall release at two hundred ninety-five (295) pounds of pressure or less; and the loop size shall not exceed twelve (12) inches in diameter measured from side to side (see diagram below).





(1) A notarized affidavit stating the applicant's legal address including their state of residence; and,

(2) A copy of the most current statutes or rules and regulations of the applicant's state of residence, which shows that the state issues nonresident trapping licenses that authorize Wyoming residents to trap the same species for which residents of that state may be licensed to trap in that state.

Resident trapping licenses are available from the Cheyenne Headquarters, Department Regional Offices and license selling agents. Nonresident trapping licenses are available only from the Cheyenne Headquarters.

**TRAPPING ON STATE LANDS.** In accordance with State Land Board Rules, authorization from the Director of the Office of State Lands and Investments is required prior to setting a trap or snare on any state lands. For more information about trapping on state lands go to <http://lands.wyo.gov/resources/recreation>.

**VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS ON FEDERAL LAND.** Sportspersons are advised that many areas of National Forest and Bureau of Land Management lands are subject to travel and vehicle use limitations to protect resources. Maps and additional information regarding these limitations are available at U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management and other agency offices near these public lands.

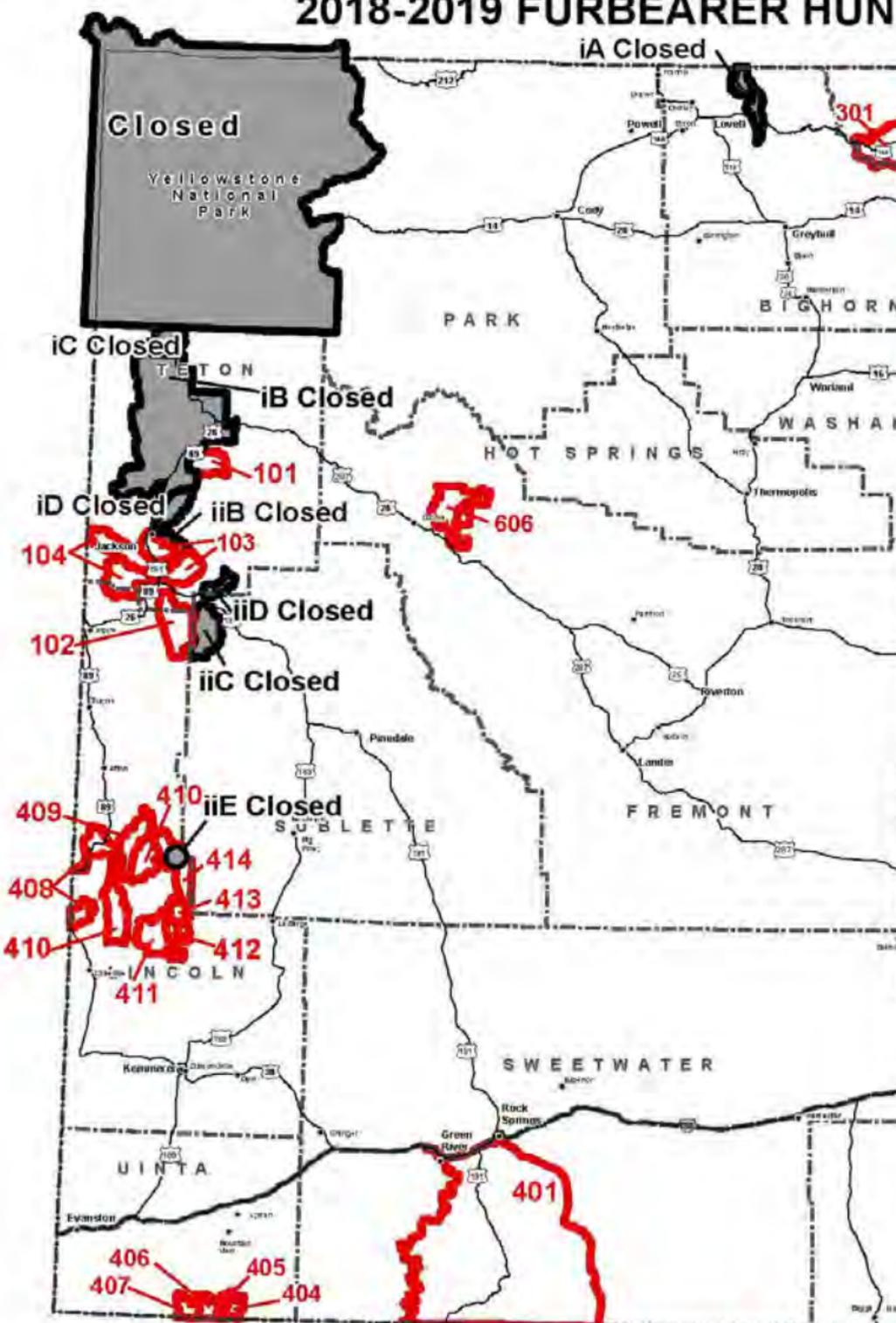
**WILDLIFE DAMAGE MANAGEMENT STAMP.** The "WILDLIFE DAMAGE MANAGEMENT STAMP" is an optional stamp sportspersons may voluntarily purchase to support activities of the Wyoming Animal Damage Management Board. The Wyoming Legislature originally created the Board to manage rabid wildlife, mitigate crop and livestock damage caused by depredating wildlife, and to protect human health and safety. The legislature developed several sources of funding for the Board to carry out its responsibilities including creation of this management stamp. Purchase of the stamp is not mandatory, but does provide sportspersons a voluntary means to fund predator management.

**WILDLIFE VIOLATOR COMPACT.** Wyoming is a member of the Wildlife Violator Compact. The Compact enables a violator from any member state to accept a wildlife citation and proceed on their way without being required to post an appearance bond unless the violation requires MUST APPEAR and NO BOND ACCEPTED. The Compact provides for the suspension of wildlife license privileges in the home state of any person whose license privileges have been suspended by a participating state. If you have had your privileges suspended in any of the participating states, you may lose your privileges in Wyoming, in addition to all the participating Compact states. Additional information about the Compact can be obtained by contacting the Wildlife Law Enforcement Coordinator at (307) 233-6413.

**WIND RIVER RESERVATION.** Only non-Indian owned, fee title lands are open to the taking of wildlife with a State of Wyoming license. Land status is complicated and lawful access must be investigated thoroughly. Sportspersons are advised it is their responsibility to determine land status prior to entering these areas.

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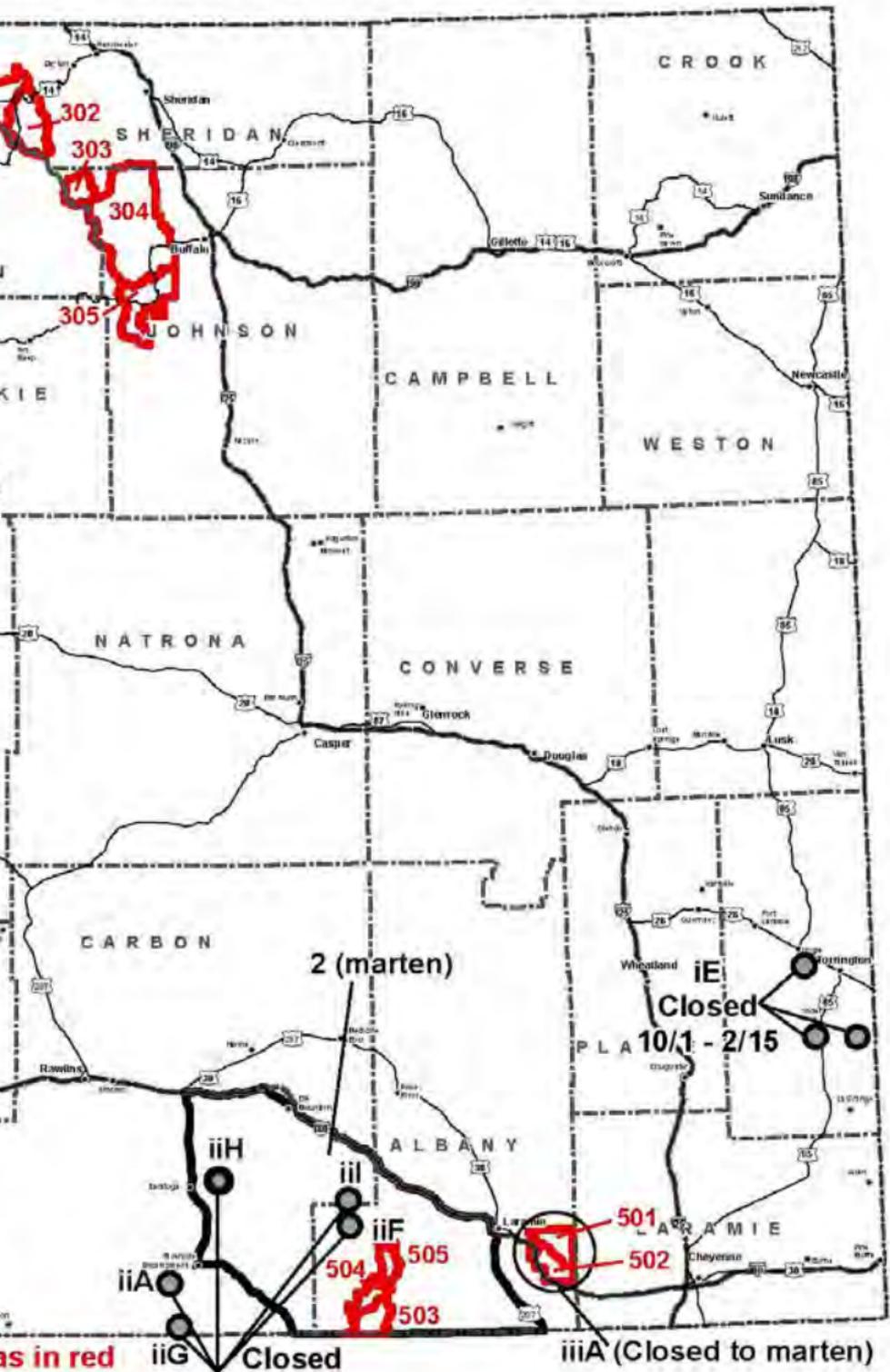
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**● CLOSED AREAS SET FORTH IN SECTION 4**

Area 1 is the entire state of Wyoming subject to the species limitations described in Section 4.

# HUNTING OR TRAPPING AREAS



**THIS MAP IS FOR GENERAL REFERENCE ONLY.**

Please use the written boundary descriptions in this regulation for detailed hunt area boundary information.

## Hunting/Trapping Ethics

Good hunting/trapping ethics are necessary to preserve hunting/trapping in the future

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### CHAPTER 4

#### FURBEARING ANIMAL HUNTING OR TRAPPING SEASONS

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**Section 1. Authority.** This regulation is promulgated by authority of W.S. § 23-1-302, W.S. § 23-2-303, W.S. § 23-2-304, W.S. § 23-2-305 and W.S. § 23-3-109.

**Section 2. Definitions.** Definitions shall be as set forth in Title 23, Wyoming Statutes, Commission regulations, and the Commission also adopts the following definitions:

(a) **“Drainage”** means all lands within the watershed of a named river or stream, including all tributaries and standing waters which drain into that river or stream.

(b) **“Leg-hold Trap”** means any device using a mechanical trigger that springs the jaws or loop shut for capturing furbearing or predatory animals.

(c) **“Live Trap”** means any device designed to capture or trap a live animal inside a cage or structure. Such traps include, but are not limited to box traps and cage traps.

(d) **“Owner”** means the person who physically sets any trap or snare in any fashion that may result in the take of any furbearing or predatory animal.

(e) **“Pet”** means any domestic or tamed animal kept for companionship or pleasure.

(f) **“Quick-kill body-grip trap”** means a device that closes around the body or head of the animal in such a manner as to almost immediately kill the animal caught.

(g) **“Raw Fur”** means the untanned hide or skin, or the unskinned carcass of a furbearing animal.

(h) **“Snare”** means a device consisting of a loop with no mechanical trigger for capturing furbearing or predatory animals.

(j) **“Tamper”** means to disturb, obstruct, damage, steal or interfere with any legally placed trap or snare except for releasing any pet or livestock from a trap or snare.

(k) **“Trapping” or “trap”** means the taking of a furbearing or predatory animal by trap, snare or with a firearm or archery equipment.

(l) **“Trap identification number”** means an identification number assigned to the owner of traps or snares by the Department.

(m) **“Week”** means the seven (7) day period starting on Monday through the following Sunday.

**Section 3. Hunting or Trapping Seasons.** Species, hunting or trapping areas, season dates and limitations.

Species	Trapping Area	Season Dates		Limitations
		Opens	Closes	
Mink	1	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	Any mink
Bobcat	1	Nov. 15	Mar. 1	Any bobcat
Muskrat	1	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	Any muskrat
Weasel	1	Oct. 1	Mar. 31	Any weasel
Badger	1	Jan. 1	Dec. 31	Any badger
Marten	1	Oct. 1	Mar. 1	Any marten
	2	Dec. 1	Mar. 1	Any marten
Beaver	1	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	Any beaver
	101	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 5 beaver
	102	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 20 beaver
	103	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 10 beaver
	104	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 25 beaver
	301-305	CLOSED		
	401	CLOSED		
	404-407	CLOSED		
	408	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 15 beaver
	409	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 15 beaver
	410	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 15 beaver
	411	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 35 beaver
	412	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 15 beaver
	413	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 30 beaver
	414	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 30 beaver
	501	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 10 beaver
	502	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 10 beaver
	503	CLOSED		
	504	CLOSED		
505	CLOSED			
606	CLOSED			

**Section 4. Furbearing Animal Hunting or Trapping Area Descriptions.**

(a) Area and Number.

(i) All furbearing animals, excluding marten and beaver.

**Area 1.** The entire State of Wyoming, excluding those areas closed in Section 4(b).

(ii) Marten.

**Area 1.** The entire state of Wyoming, excluding Area 2 as listed in this subsection and those areas closed in Section 4(b).

**Area 2. Snowy Range.** Beginning at the junction of Interstate Highway 80 and U.S. Highway 287 in the city of Laramie; southerly along U.S. Highway 287 to the Wyoming-Colorado state line; westerly along said line to Wyoming Highway 230 in Carbon County; northerly along said highway to Wyoming Highway 130; northerly along said highway to Interstate Highway 80; easterly along said highway to its junction with U.S. Highway 287.

(iii) Beaver.

**Area 1.** The entire State of Wyoming, excluding those limited quota trapping areas listed in this subsection and those areas closed in Section 4(b).

**Area 101. Ditch Creek.** Ditch Creek drainage in Teton County.

**Area 102. Willow Creek.** Willow Creek drainage in Teton and Lincoln counties.

**Area 103. Game Creek and Little Horse Creek.** Game Creek and Little Horse Creek drainages in Teton County.

**Area 104. Fall Creek.** All of the Fall Creek, Mosquito Creek and Dog Creek drainages on U.S. Forest Service lands in Teton and Lincoln counties.

**Area 301. North Tongue River.** North Tongue River drainage in Sheridan County.

**Area 302. South Tongue River.** South Tongue River drainage in Sheridan County.

**Area 303. East Fork of Big Goose Creek.** East Fork of Big Goose Creek drainage upstream of Park Reservoir in Johnson County.

**Area 304. Clear Creek.** Clear Creek drainage on U.S. Forest Service lands in Johnson County.

**Area 305. Crazy Woman Creek.** Crazy Woman Creek drainage on U.S. Forest Service lands in Johnson County.

**Area 401. South Rock Springs.** That portion of Sweetwater County south of I-80 between the Green River, Flaming Gorge Reservoir and Wyoming Highway 430.

**Area 404. Henrys Fork.** Henrys Fork River, Louse Creek and Sage Creek drainages on the Wasatch-Cache National Forest in Uinta County.

**Area 405. Cottonwood Creek.** Cottonwood Creek drainage on the Wasatch-Cache National Forest in Uinta County.

**Area 406. East Fork of Smiths Fork.** Drainages of Gilbert Creek and East Fork of Smiths Fork River upstream from Wasatch-Cache National Forest boundary in Uinta County.

**Area 407. West Fork of Smiths Fork.** West Fork of the Smiths Fork River and Willow Creek drainages upstream from Wasatch-Cache National Forest boundary in Uinta County.

**Area 408. Salt Creek.** Salt Creek drainage on U.S. Forest Service lands, Salt Creek Proper and Raymond Creek drainage on public lands in Lincoln County.

**Area 409. Upper Smiths Fork.** Smiths Fork drainage on U.S. Forest Service lands in Lincoln County.

**Area 410. Hobble Creek.** Hobble Creek drainage on U.S. Forest Service lands, Coal Creek, and Saw Mill Creek drainages in Lincoln County.

**Area 411. Hams Fork River (Hams Fork).** Beginning where the Hams Fork River crosses the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary to where the river crosses U.S. Forest Service Road 062 and all tributaries lying east of the Hams Fork River in Lincoln County.

**Area 412. South Fork Fontenelle Creek.** Beginning where the South Fork of Fontenelle Creek crosses the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary to its headwaters and all tributaries in Lincoln County, including all of the drainages of the South Fork of Fontenelle Creek upstream from the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary within Lincoln County.

**Area 413. Fontenelle Creek.** Beginning where Fontenelle Creek crosses the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary to the confluence of Camp Fire Creek and all tributaries in Lincoln County, including all of the drainages of Fontenelle Creek between the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary and Camp Fire Creek within Lincoln County.

**Area 414. LaBarge Creek and South LaBarge Creek (main streams).** Beginning where LaBarge Creek crosses the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary to its headwaters and the main channel of South LaBarge Creek in Lincoln County. LaBarge Creek Proper will be closed one (1) mile each direction from the confluence of Nameless Creek and LaBarge Creek in Lincoln County.

**Area 501. North Pole Mountain.** All of the drainages of Brush Creek, Crow Creek, Lodgepole (Pole) Creek, McKechnie Creek and Horse Creek within the boundaries of the Pole Mountain Division of the Medicine Bow National Forest and north of the Happy Jack Road (Wyoming Secondary Highway 210-U.S.F.S. 722) in Albany County.

**Area 502. South Pole Mountain.** All of the drainages of Brush Creek, Lodgepole (Pole) Creek, Crow Creek and Dale Creek within the boundaries of the Pole Mountain Division of the Medicine Bow National Forest and south of the Happy Jack Road (Wyoming Secondary Highway 210-U.S.F.S. 722) in Albany County.

**Area 503. Woods Landing.** All public lands within Boswell Creek, Eagle Creek, Shellrock Creek, Bear Creek, Jelm Creek and Porter Creek drainages in Albany County.

**Area 504. Lake Owen.** All public lands south and east of U.S.F.S. Roads 552 and 540 within Fox Creek, Squirrel Creek, Squaw Creek, Lake Owen Creek and Strain Creek drainages in Albany County.

**Area 505. Sheep Mountain.** All public lands within Fence Creek, Hecht Creek and Buckeye Creek drainages in Albany County.

**Area 606. East Fork Wind River.** All lands within the Spence and Moriarity Wildlife Management Area and the Kirk Inberg/Kevin Roy Wildlife Habitat Management Area in Fremont County.

(b) Closed Areas.

(i) The following areas shall be closed to the taking of all furbearing animals.

(A) Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area in Bighorn County;

(B) Grand Teton National Park in Teton County;

(C) John D. Rockefeller Jr. Memorial Parkway in Teton County;

(D) National Elk Refuge in Teton County; and,

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(E) Rawhide Wildlife Management Area, Springer Wildlife Habitat Management Area and the Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Area in Goshen County shall be closed October 1 through February 15.

The following areas are closed to trapping. If there are questions, contact the appropriate personnel at the National Park Service.

(A) Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area in Bighorn County.

(C) John D. Rockefeller Jr. Memorial Parkway in Teton County.

(ii) The following areas shall be closed to the taking of beaver.

(A) Beaver Creek drainage from Wyoming Highway 70 downstream to its confluence with the North Fork of the Encampment River in Carbon County;

(B) Cache Creek drainage in Teton County;

(C) Cliff Creek drainage in Sublette County;

(D) Granite Creek drainage from the Granite Hot Springs swimming pool downstream to the confluence with the Hoback River in Teton and Sublette counties;

(E) Nameless Creek proper in Lincoln County;

(F) Nash Fork drainage south of Wyoming Highway 130 from the Snowy Range Ski Area Road downstream to its confluence with the North Fork of the Little Laramie River in Albany County;

(G) South Fork Hog Park Creek drainage from the Colorado/Wyoming state line downstream to its confluence with Hog Park Creek in Carbon County;

(H) South Fork Lake Creek and Goetze Creek drainages on the Pennock Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Area in Carbon County; and,

(I) The head of the Rock Creek drainage north and east of the Sand Lake Road (U.S.F.S. Road 101) downstream to its confluence with the South Fork of Rock Creek in Carbon County.

(iii) The following areas shall be closed to the taking of marten.

(A) All lands within the Pole Mountain Unit of the Medicine Bow National Forest in Albany County.

**Section 5. Common Season Boundary.** Wherever a stream or river forms a boundary between two (2) trapping areas with differing seasons for the same furbearing animal, the stream or river channel proper shall open for trapping on the earliest opening date and close on the latest closing date of the two (2) seasons involved.

**Section 6. Limited Quota Furbearing Animal Trapping Area Permits.** Only the holder of a permit for a limited quota trapping area(s) shall be allowed to trap the limited quota area for the designated species during the trapping season for which the permit is valid. Permit holders shall be determined by a random computer selection.

(a) Application for Limited Quota Furbearing Animal Trapping Permits. Applications shall be available from Wyoming

Game and Fish Department Regional Offices, the Cheyenne Headquarters Office and game wardens. Any qualified person may submit one (1) application for a limited quota trapping area drawing and may list as many as three (3) choices.

(b) When trapping, each permit holder shall present his permit and a valid Wyoming furbearing animal trapping license for inspection upon request to any law enforcement officer empowered to enforce these regulations.

(c) Application Date. Applications shall be submitted on a form provided by the Department to the Headquarters Office from July 1 through September 1.

(d) Drawing. Only correct and complete applications received in the Headquarters Office during the application dates shall be entered in the random computer selection. Successful applicants shall be notified by mail.

(e) Left over Limited Quota Trapping Area Permits. After the regular drawing, applicants may apply for limited quota trapping area permits not issued in the drawing for limited quota furbearing animal trapping areas. Applicants shall apply to the Headquarters Office. Permits shall be issued in the order the applications are processed or until quotas are reached. Submission of an application either through the mail or hand delivered shall not guarantee a permit.

#### **Section 7. Authorization to Trap.**

(a) Any person holding a valid Wyoming furbearing animal trapping license shall be authorized to trap furbearing animals in any trapping area specified in the current trapping regulations, excluding those species within limited quota furbearing animal trapping areas requiring a limited quota furbearing animal trapping permit as specified in this regulation and excluding closed areas in Section 4(b) of this regulation.

(b) Individuals issued limited quota furbearing animal trapping permits shall contact the game warden listed on the notice for instructions prior to taking furbearing animals authorized by this permit in the limited quota furbearing animal trapping areas.

#### **Section 8. Trap and Snare Specifications.**

(a) All snares used for furbearing or predatory animals shall be equipped with a break-away device located at the point of the snare lock;

(b) Break-away devices shall release at two hundred ninety-five (295) pounds of pressure or less;

(c) Snare capture loop size shall not exceed twelve (12) inches in diameter measured from side to side;

(d) Snares shall be solidly anchored to ensure the break-away device properly functions to release at two hundred ninety-five (295) pounds of pressure or less, and;

(i) Snares shall not be anchored to any wire of a fence.

(ii) Snares shall not be anchored to any moveable object such as a drag.

(e) A quick-kill body-grip trap having a jaw measurement of ten (10) inches or greater when measured vertically at its widest part of the jaw shall not be set, other than on private land, unless the bottom of the quick-kill body-grip trap is at least partially submerged in water when set.

**Section 9. Check Period for Leg-hold Traps, Live Traps, Snares and Quick-Kill Body-Grip Traps.**

(a) All leg-hold traps and live traps shall be checked by the owner a minimum of once during each seventy-two (72) hour period.

(b) All snares and quick-kill body-grip traps shall be checked by the owner a minimum of one time each week, except during the initial week the snares or quick-kill body-grip traps were set.

**Section 10. Mandatory Bobcat Registration.** All bobcats harvested in Wyoming shall be registered with the Department by the person taking the bobcat, regardless of the final disposition of the raw fur. Bobcat raw furs may be registered throughout the bobcat season, but registration shall end at 5:00 p.m. on March 11 of each year. If the registration deadline date occurs on a weekend when the Department Regional Offices are closed, bobcat raw furs may be registered on the next business day until 5:00 p.m. Mountain Standard Time. The properly licensed trapper shall present a bobcat raw fur in an unfrozen condition to a game warden or a Department Regional Office. It shall be unlawful to possess an untagged bobcat raw fur after the registration period expires.

(a) Before a Wyoming bobcat tag shall be issued, the person taking a bobcat shall provide to the Department at the time of registration, the age and sex of the bobcat, the number of the Department's bobcat management area in which the bobcat was taken, the date the bobcat was taken, the number of traps that were set, and the number of days traps were set or days hunted with a firearm.

(b) A Wyoming bobcat tag shall be attached to a bobcat raw fur by an employee of the Department. Wyoming bobcat tags shall be issued free of charge.

(c) Any person who makes a false statement on the registration form shall be in violation of this regulation and shall be punishable as provided by Title 23, Wyoming Statutes for violation of Commission regulations.

**Section 11. Trapping of Non-target Wildlife; Disposition of Furbearing Animals at the Trap Site.**

(a) All big or trophy game animals, game birds, protected animals or protected birds that are trapped shall be released unharmed.

(b) If a big or trophy game animal, game bird, protected animal or raptor is trapped and has been injured in such a way that the injury may result in death of the animal or if the animal has been killed, the trapper shall notify a Department law enforcement officer as soon as is reasonably possible.

(c) Furbearing animals that are trapped during a closed season shall be released unharmed. If a furbearing animal is caught during a closed season and injured in such a way that may result in death of the animal or if the furbearing animal has been killed, the trapper shall notify a Department law enforcement officer as soon as is reasonably possible.

(d) Furbearing animals legally taken shall be either killed at the trap site or immediately released to the wild. If the trapper holds both a furbearing animal trapping license and a license to capture furbearing animals for domestication, the furbearing animals do not have to be killed at the trap site.

(e) Nothing in this Sec on shall prohibit a person from releasing any pet or livestock from a trap or snare.

**Section 12. Use of Dogs.** Persons possessing a valid furbearing animal trapping license may use dogs to take bobcats during the bobcat hunting or trapping season.

**Section 13. Trap Identification Numbers.** All traps and snares used for furbearing or predatory animals shall be permanently marked or tagged with the name and address of the owner or the trap identification number assigned to the owner by the Department.

(a) A person may apply for a trap identification number from the Department. Each individual shall be issued only one (1) trap identification number for the life of the trapper. Trap identification numbers shall be transferable from one (1) person to another only upon completion of an application and approval by the Department.

(b) Trap identification numbers shall consist of the prefix WY, followed by the last two (2) digits of the calendar year in which the number is issued, followed by a number generated by the Department. A hyphen shall separate the three (3) portions of the number. For example, the first trap identification number issued in calendar year 2001 shall be WY-01-001. Numbers shall be legible, at least one-eighth (1/8) inch in height and affixed to traps in such a manner as to read left to right. The trap identification number shall be stamped on the trap or on a metal tag that is affixed to the trap.

(c) Application for a trap identification number shall include the full name and complete home address of the applicant and shall be submitted on a form provided by the Department. Applications shall be submitted to the Wildlife Division, at the Headquarters Office of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department.

(d) Any person who has obtained a trap identification number shall notify the Department by telephoning (307) 777-4686 within thirty (30) days of any change in address.

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

T. Carrie Lile, President

Dated: November 9, 2016

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Green River Regional O e	1-800-843-8096	1-307-875-3223
Jackson Regional Offi	1-800-423-4113	1-307-733-2321
Lander Regional Offi	1-800-654-7862	1-307-332-2688
Laramie Regional Offi	1-800-843-2352	1-307-745-4046
Pinedale Regional Offi	1-800-452-9107	1-307-367-4353
Sheridan Regional Offi	1-800-331-9834	1-307-672-7418
For more information and materials call: 1-307-777-4600 or visit the Department website.		

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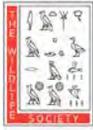
**American Association of Wildlife Veterinarians  
Position Statement Regarding the Use of Foot-Hold Traps for Wildlife  
December 2007**

The capture and handling of wildlife is necessary for wildlife conservation, research, disease surveillance, and management, as well as to protect property and human and domestic animal health. Foot-hold traps (also known as leg-hold traps) are important tools for achieving these objectives and, when used properly, are humane, safe and practical. Nevertheless, significant opposition to the use of foot-hold traps exists due to both real and perceived risks. Research into methods designed to reduce injury and otherwise improve trapping methods, and public education and outreach, are necessary to resolve this conflict. The following statements present the American Association of Wildlife Veterinarians position on the use of foot-hold traps for wildlife.

- 1) The American Association of Wildlife Veterinarians supports the use of foot-hold traps to:
  - a) Conduct research necessary for identifying the conservation needs of, and threats to, wildlife populations.
  - b) Conduct disease surveillance necessary to identify the spread or introduction of infectious agents and to identify disease threats to wildlife, domestic animals, and humans.
  - c) To conduct disease control, eradication and prevention as well as monitor and evaluate such programs.
  - d) Implement wildlife management actions to prevent overpopulation of some species and subsequent environmental degradation or damage to property; prevent interspecific competition; and translocate, restore, or reintroduce species.
  - e) Commercially and recreationally collect game by licensed trappers under the strict regulation of state fish and wildlife agencies that establish rules, zones, and quotas to manage local populations of game animals.
  
- 2) The American Association of Wildlife Veterinarians supports understanding of the animal welfare issues involved in the use of foot-hold traps; specifically, to:
  - a) Recognize that free-ranging wildlife is valued for its contribution to functional ecosystems, for its commercial and recreational value, and for its intrinsic value.
  - b) Recognize that the welfare interests of wildlife, the environment, domestic animals, and humans may conflict under some circumstances.
  - c) Recognize that opposition to the use of foot-hold traps exists and that a solution to this issue requires well-designed and sensitive research, public education, and outreach programs.
  - d) Recognize that animals can be injured by some traps and trapping systems and that animal welfare is enhanced by using traps that kill quickly and humanely, or capture animals in systems that reduce or eliminate injuries.
  - e) Support the use of foot-hold traps and techniques that are selective and humane, reduce injury and stress, and are safe for use.

- 3) The American Association of Wildlife Veterinarians supports the improvement of trap safety for wildlife, recognizing that:
  - a) Regulatory and educational programs are necessary for the controlled and proper use of foot-hold traps.
  - b) The maintenance and continued development of Best Management Practices (under the auspices of the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies) for use of foot-hold traps should be supported.
  - c) Research identifying or improving trapping methods that reduce animal injury, minimize non-target capture, and maintain user safety should be implemented.

These statements of our position replace any previous statements or letters on this subject, and remain in effect until otherwise amended, rescinded or retired.



## **Standing Position**

### **Traps, Trapping, and Furbearer Management**

Internationally accepted principles of natural resources conservation stipulate that resource management activities must maintain essential ecological processes, preserve genetic diversity, and ensure continued existence of species and ecosystems. Government-regulated trapping in North America is consistent with all three criteria and is a versatile, safe, effective, and ecologically sound method of harvesting and managing furbearers.

Trapping is part of our cultural heritage that provides income, recreation, and an outdoor lifestyle for many citizens through use of a renewable natural resource. Both trapping and hunting provide opportunities for fostering stewardship values and connecting to the out-of-doors. Trapping is often vital to the subsistence or self-sufficiency of peoples in remote regions who have few other economic alternatives. It is also a primary tool of most wildlife damage management programs and an important technique in wildlife research. Regulated trapping is an important way for biologists to collect information about wildlife, including information about wildlife diseases such as rabies that can also affect people. Threatened and endangered species also benefit from regulated trapping. For example, foxes, coyotes, and nutria are trapped in certain locations in order to protect sea turtles, black-footed ferrets, whooping cranes and other rare species from predation or damage to their habitats.

Despite the values of trapping, portions of the public oppose it, or at least perceive problems with some aspects of it. Some object only to certain trapping methods, particularly foothold traps on land, but others have moral objections to killing animals. Much opposition to trapping is associated with urban-oriented cultures, particularly those dominated by tertiary (service-oriented) employment. Those who approve of, practice, or benefit from trapping are primarily from rural cultures or areas where primary (land-based) employment predominates. This dichotomy of lifestyles and values, combined with a general lack of objective information about trapping, creates barriers to understanding and resolving controversial issues associated with trapping.

The policy of The Wildlife Society in regard to trapping is to:

1. Support the use of regulated trapping for sustained harvest of some species of furbearers as an effective method of managing or studying furbearers.
2. Recognize the economic and recreational benefits of trapping.
3. Recognize that regulated trapping is an important component of the lifestyle of many people, including subsistence users and others, who desire to live close to the land, derive as much of their sustenance from the land as possible, and take personal responsibility for their uses of animals.
4. Recognize that regulated trapping is a safe, efficient, and practical means of capturing individual animals without impairing the survival of furbearer populations or damaging the environment.

5. Recognize that animals can be injured by some traps and trapping systems and that ethical trapping requires using traps that kill animals quickly or capture and restrain animals in systems that reduce or eliminate injuries. This can be accomplished through: (a) regulatory and educational programs, (b) research that evaluates and improves trap performance, and (c) implementing acceptable and effective improvements in trapping technology, further reducing injury to captured animals while maintaining acceptable trapping efficiency and safety to users.
6. Promote development of improved traps, trapping systems, and additional methods of taking furbearing animals. Support the development of Best Management Practices (BMPs) for trapping in the United States, under the auspices of the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, and encourage state wildlife agencies to promote the use of BMPs in state furbearer management and trapper outreach programs. Support the sustainable use of furbearer resources in carefully regulated management programs.
7. Promote trapper education programs that cover appropriate trapping techniques, proper fur handling, and furbearer management.
8. Recognize that significant opposition to trapping exists, in North America and abroad. Advocate research on furbearers, trappers, trapping methods, and attitudes of publics toward trapping to advance understanding and facilitate resolution of controversial issues and problems associated with furbearer management.
9. Promote programs that inform the public, including trappers, about values and benefits of properly regulated, sustained use of renewable natural resources, including furbearers.
10. Encourage appropriate government regulation of trapping and rigorous enforcement of trapping laws by responsible agencies to assure that optimum furbearer populations are perpetuated and that trapping and furbearer management programs are compatible with or enhance the management of other species, including threatened and endangered wildlife.
11. Encourage international efforts, especially beyond North America, to improve the conservation and management of furbearer species, including the use and adoption of BMPs for capturing wildlife, and the training of trappers and professional biologists on state of the art developments in furbearer management.



Public Comment

— Exhibit 6 —

**From:** KrisK [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:01:16 PM  
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**Subject:** [EXT] New Mexico Game Commission— No More Traps and Snares

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I am a resident of New Mexico and do NOT approve of traps and snares which cause great harm to wildlife as well as domestic dogs, etc. We must protect innocent animals from cruel and painful injuries and slow deaths. Surely in this day and age, there are improved methods that avoid these torturous devices. Please help keep wild animals free to live and survive in their natural environments without hurting or killing them unnecessarily. Thank you for your time and compassion.

Kris Karsteadt  
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Sent from my iPad

**From:** Lee Walters [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:38:57 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban leghold traps.

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

There is so much useless pain and suffering in the world. The harm done to one part of creation harms the souls of us all. It's time to do whatever we can to move the world in the direction of compassion. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Lee Walters

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**From:** Elaine Stachera [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 01:05:37 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban trapping.

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Ladies and Gentlemen of the State of New Mexico Game Commission:

I vehemently oppose any form of trapping on public land (or any land, for that matter).

I understand that rules that govern commercial and recreational trapping is coming under review, and that some of the proposed changes go backwards (e.g., increasing check times for traps and extending trapping seasons).

Why are certain individuals are allowed to kill and make money off of the animals on public lands? Besides the fact that a trap is an extraordinarily cruel device that captures indiscriminately, I spend money in New Mexico going to wild places to see bobcat and fox and birds and other creatures—money that goes to the economy of the areas I visit via hotels, food, and gas. I am far from alone.

How does a trapper know he will not catch a cougar or a porcupine or a hawk? Or an endangered species? What about companion dogs? Clearly, as we have all seen in the news, this happens.

The fact that trapping is still an issue is sad in itself. Trapping has nothing to do with the "Western" way of life, as some like to bellow. It has to do with the fact that capturing any one of Earth's/God's/Higher Power's creatures in a steel-jaw device or snaring it underwater until it is dead is simply, unjustifiably cruel. I can't believe that any Higher Power would think this is a good way for a creature to die.

I know that I, along with the 69% majority of New Mexicans (as noted in the *Albuquerque Journal*) do not think trapping is a good thing. It needs to be stopped.

Respectfully,  
Elaine Stachera Simon  
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**From:** Diana <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:05:34 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Commissioners,

Please bring New Mexico into the modern and humane era by banning all traps for game.

It astonishes me that this kind of trapping is allowed in this day and age, especially on public lands. To expose wild and domestic animals, not to mention people, to this menace, and its cruel approach to animals, is beyond belief. Please stop this practice immediately.

Sincerely,

Diana K. McDonald, PhD  
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**From:** Jean-Paul Chevalier [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:11:53 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Trapping is cruel and inhumane. Let's get New Mexico out of the dark ages and do the right thing.

Jean-Paul Chevalier

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**From:** Palin Wiltshire [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Hi,

Please know that as a long time resident of New Mexico, I am adamantly against trapping of any kind.

I work in the tourist trade and this cruel practice of killing by trapping is barbaric and antiquated. It almost makes us look like a third world country.

We need to step up and take care of our fragile wildlife and ecosystems. Not cruelly trap and kill wildlife for fur, which is becoming taboo in educated circles.

California just became the first state in the nation to completely ban fur, the processing and sale of it.

Please consider what really is going to be "the future".

You can start by outlawing trapping altogether.

Sincerely,

Palin Wiltshire  
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**From:** VICTORIA LINEHAN [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:23:02 PM

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**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Game Commission,

Your proposed minimal changes are not acceptable. Not acceptable. Traps should be banned from all public lands in New Mexico. I do not feel you are hearing the public's request. This ban is long overdue. Please be progressive.

Respectfully,  
Victoria Linehan  
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**From:** LWren Walraven [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:28:44 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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To Whom it May Concern:

As a wildlife artist, birdwatcher, hiker, outdoor enthusiast, and wildlife advocate I am highly disturbed that there is still trapping allowed on public lands in NM. It is a cruel and barbaric practice and I cannot believe that it is still going on. These traps maim and kill non targeted animals that are not to be hunted. This included endangered species and domestic animals including pets.

The fact that it happens on public lands is dangerous to kids, dogs, and hikers.

The price a trapper pays is far too low for being able to kill as many furbearers as they want. Trappers not paying gross receipt taxes means the practice in no way benefits New Mexico in any way. So why is it allowed in our state? Our state is better than this, and we need do the right thing and rid our lands of this horrible cruelty.

Thank you,

Wren

LWren Walraven  
Wren Dreams  
Folk & Fine Art



**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:35:24 PM

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**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Game Commissioners,

I am writing as one person of the 70% of the public polled in New Mexico who oppose trapping on public lands. As representatives of the public interest, I urge you to oppose trapping on public lands because of its cruelty, its indiscriminate killing of non-target species, its drain on wildlife, and its dangers to people and pets on public lands. We are living through the sixth great extinction, and pressures on wildlife have never been greater. Please remove this cruel and unnecessary pressure by banning traps on public lands.

Sincerely, Anne Haven McDonnell

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**From:** gigi gaulin [REDACTED]

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I lived in Santa Fe for 20 year and I still can't believe the state still allows this barbaric practice. Can't we evolve to a more humane society? Please, it is time! Stop this assault on nature especially for the benefit of a few individuals instead of saying yes to the web of life in which humans play an equal role with all of Life. Honor God by honoring the life of those who suffer in these unnecessary traps. Thank you. Dr Gaulin

*Heal the human, free the horse....the elephant....the earth.*

Gigi Gaulin, DVM

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**From:** Denys Cope [REDACTED]

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Please it is so imp!

Please support trap-free public lands in New Mexico

Thank you,  
Denys Cope

**From:** christina gonzalez [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 05:23:58 PM

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It is time that all traps are removed from NM public lands. I would actually prefer that they be removed from all lands. They're cruel and inhumane ways of killing all kinds of animals, domestic and wild.

Please help New Mexico step into the 21st Century by becoming a more compassionate, caring state. "The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way in which its animals are treated."

Thank you,  
Christina Gonzalez  
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**From:** Kelly Pasholk <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 05:24:58 PM  
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As New Mexican citizen, part of the more than 70% of the population who think trapping should be abolished, I call on you to end this barbaric practice.

Trapping is cruel. Think about what an animal goes through when it is trapped! Do you really want to be an enabler of this cruelty? Please, at least keep in mind that a trap does not know the difference between a target animal, an endangered species animal, a pet, nor a person. Trapping indiscriminately maims and kills. It is a profession (or sick sport) that belongs to the 18th Century, not to our present day New Mexico.

Please step up for a kinder gentler New Mexico.

Regards,  
Kelly Pasholk

Kelly Pasholk  
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**From:** Rayo McCollough [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 05:43:35 PM  
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Trapping wild animals is a relic of the past which is incompatible with modern public land uses. I've seen traps set on public lands within 100 feet of residences that could easily injure domestic animals, pets, and kids. I support hunting and fishing, but is cruel to wildlife and dangerous to people and their animals.

Please ban trapping on public lands in New Mexico.

Thank you,

Rayo McCollough

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**From:** Donald Cooney [REDACTED]

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Please ban all traps from all public state lands. They are unbelievably cruel and barbaric. It's past time to do away with such a grotesque practice that threatens wildlife as well as domestic pets and people including children. Now is the time to join the other 100 nations that have banned traps and begin to operate from a more empathetic and compassionate as well as civilized and intelligent manner.

Thank you  
Donald Cooney

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**From:** Mary Chevalier [REDACTED]  
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PLEASE BAN ALL TRAPPING on public lands in our enchanting NM. While living near the Burro Mtns I was hiking coordinator for some yrs . I choose not to remember the heart rending experiences people came upon. The creatures in our wild lands only have a voice through the humans who populate these awesome lands in compassion, conscience and knowledge.

Sincerely, Mary Chevalier

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**From:**



**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 06:10:29 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Dear commissioners: I'm William Wiley: combat, decorated vet, hunter, conservative & I ask that you to ban Sport & Commercial trapping on public lands. Here is a chance for you to make a difference, to show NM is a humane state. This is a barbaric practice. We have high crime & child poverty. Show our children we are decent people. I believe you are honorable people. Please Stand up & do the right thing. Respectfully, Bill Wiley

**From:** Bronwyn Poole [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:15:08 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please pass comprehensive legislation to ban trapping. It's inhumane and unnecessary.

Thanks,  
Bronwyn

Bronwyn T. Poole  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dinah Dozier [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:35:09 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dear Commissioners:

We would like to add our names to those New Mexicans respectfully asking you to ban traps from all of our public lands. Please consider the wishes of the overwhelming majority who abhor this cruel & unnecessary practice. It is our greatest hope that those who have the power to protect our precious natural resources will do so.

Sincerely,  
Dinah & Larry Dozier

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[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

**From:** Chris Bleich [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:16:42 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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I support the banning of traps. My friends dog was severely injured in a trap. It makes us look backward...no need for such a barbaric "tradition"

I vote.

Chris Bleich

**From:** Sarah Bienvenu [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:05:27 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Dear Commisioners and those concerned,

A few years ago I was hiking in Cerrillos and my dog was suddenly caught in a trap that someone had set. I will not go into the sad details, but I would like to say that when I did manage to free him, I left some sticks on the trap. I could not remove it because it was anchored in the ground.

Afterwards, I was shocked to find out that it was legal to place and set these traps. A week later I went out to the same area and found that the trap had not been visited because it was left with the sticks that I had left arranged over it. This seemed unconscionable to me because it was clear that whoever was allowed to set that trap was also allowed to leave it unattended. If an animal had been caught in their trap it would have most likely died an awful death over days and been worthless by the time the trap was checked , if ever.

It is not possible for me to understand why this practice is legal. Please ban traps from all of New Mexico's Public Lands.

Kind Regards,  
Sarah Bienvenu

**From:** susan selbin <[REDACTED]>

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 10:51:25 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please ban trapping from all NM Public Lands.

This cruel and indiscriminate practice must be ended in our state.

Thank you.

Susan Selbin



Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 02:14:08 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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I am asking to please ban traps in New Mexico on Public Lands. They are cruel and wildlife deserves better treatment than this.

Thanks for your attention to this matter.

Julie Morgan  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Caroline Sévilla [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 05:37:49 AM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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Dear members :

The Game Commission is considering minor changes to the trapping rule: they are inadequate. Another trapping season is looming in New Mexico after last year's saw at least two dogs killed, a handful of others injured, and untold thousands of native wildlife trapped and skinned for their fur !

Nearly 70% of New Mexicans oppose trapping entirely. While a public lands trapping ban (like Roxy's Law) is the best way to stop the cruelty and risk to public safety, our commissioners instead are entertaining an inadequate set of changes to the rule, including :

- Closing only 0.5% of New Mexico's public land to most traps.
- Increasing setbacks from trailheads, but not from trails or roads.
- Adopting a year-round season for raccoons and nutria.
- Increasing trap check times for underwater traps.
- Minor changes aren't going to fly.

New Mexicans want and deserve traps OFF of public lands.

Traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps. Trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.

Traps are cruel, they are indiscriminate, they are dangerous, and they are sapping our landscapes of native wildlife.

For only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit.

- Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia.
- Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Please ban cruel and indiscriminate traps from all of New Mexico's public lands!

Sincerely,

Caroline Sévilla

**From:** Barbara Fix [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 06:05:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please change the regulation of traps on public lands to let folks who hike with their dogs, such as I, be able to use lands belonging to the public without fear of traps causing hideous, sudden, frenzies of torturous pain and struggle. Let us share.

Barbara Fix  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Puma Roja [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 07:54:54 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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I oppose trapping on public lands for more than one reason.

First, it endangers children and small animals, including pets, that are not the target species. Some trappers have been shown to be irresponsible about where they place the traps, and injure or kill. apparently carelessly.

Secondly, it is a use of public lands by a Very small special interest group, in a way not approved, and even abhorred , by us, the public, the landowners.

Third, there seems to be little or no oversight on trappers, nor is it practical, or economical. They do what they want, where they want. it seems. Let them do it on non-public land. At least less harm will be done to our publicly managed game and fur bearers.

Fourth, I have not seen a trap that is not cruel, killing an animal slowly, painfully. This is especially true, since it seems that trappers do Not check their trap lines daily. Why should the public lands provide a space for That? Every survey I have seen says the great majority of the public are appalled at this.

By the way, we are both fisherman, and have hunted.

Sincerely,  
Robert and Donna Royer

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**From:** Denise [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 08:04:49 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please ban all trapping in new Mexico. It is cruel and unnecessary.

Since 70% of New Mexicans support a ban on trapping, why in the world would you allow this to continue?

Stop trapping NOW

Denise Jones

**From:** Gloria Graeber [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 08:15:31 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please ban these traps! This is a horrible experience for any animal to suffer. I've rescued cats that have lost a limb in these traps that should never have been placed.

Please do the right thing and ban them for good! Please!

*Sent from my MetroPCS 4G LTE Android device*

**From:** Nancy Stratton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 08:29:29 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to urge you to take much stronger action in connection with trapping in NM. The proposal being considered by the Commission is totally inadequate. I, like over 70 percent of New Mexicans, opposed trapping entirely. It is indescribably cruel, indiscriminate, and a danger to hikers and their dogs like myself. We should no longer tolerate these archaic means of killing, *especially* on our public lands.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. Sincerely, Nancy Stratton.

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:29:35 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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We are writing to urge a complete statewide ban on traps in New Mexico. The danger to children, hikers and their dogs is growing exponentially as the state's populations grow and access to our beautiful nature trails and wilderness is increasing. The State is positioning its tourism marketing efforts to promote our natural beauty as a recreational treasure. Their marketing efforts surely do not include a warning that traps set along hiking, biking and walking trails are as able to maim a wild animal as they are a child. Basta! it is time to stop this antiquated cruelty and understand that our natural parks and lands are there for all.

Thank you  
Claudia and Dwight Miller

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**From:** Wendy Keller [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:34:11 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please ban all trapping in New Mexico. A trap cannot distinguish a rabbit from a human from a family pet dog. Stop this dangerous practice. And please ban the use of snares for the same reasons. We must have safe access to all our public lands without the fear of being injured by a trap or snare.

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Carl Hansen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:35:05 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Commissioner's,

Its time to completely ban the use of Leg Hold traps on all public lands, they cause undue pain and suffering for wild animals, pets and potentially people. There are non lethal ways to deal with nuisance animals.

Massachusetts banned the leg hold trap on all lands back in 1997 and the law still stands, that's 22 years ago.

Thank you for this consideration,

Carl Hansen

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**From:** Ursula Freer [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:29:47 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please help stop this cruel and inhumane practice!

NM should be an example to all!

Ursula Freer  
[REDACTED]

**From:** joan woodruff [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:16:26 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Greetings. I have a small ranch in the Abo, New Mexico area. Traps left on nearby BLM properties have caused disastrous suffering to both domestic pets (dogs and cats), legal grazing animals and wildlife. In years past a friend lost a calf to a trap. I have had deer dragging bleeding stumps through snow, last year had a cat who dragged himself home with bleeding crushed remainder of his leg. He survived, the vet bill was well over 1000 dollars, and he lost shoulder and leg. Have had neighbors lose dogs who were caught in traps. Ten years ago my neighbors helped me capture an emaciated bob cat who was still dragging the trap. The bob cat had to be killed, it was both emaciated and had gangrene. These are disastrous endings to innocent animals. Please ban these traps. Traps are tools of cruelty. We are better than this.

Joan Leslie Woodruff

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**From:** karen lunt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:52:15 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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A complete ban on trapping is what your citizens want. Why is New Mexico so far behind the other states in ethical legislation?! Please do the right thing. sincerely Karen Lunt

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Stephanie Kaylan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:28:00 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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I am writing to you all once again because there was a problem with the original link.

You cannot fault me for being passionate.

Waaaay too many innocent ones (including adults, CHILDREN & ALL animals) are caught by these traps.

It MUST stop & HAS TO STOP -----NOW! Period.

I am so sick & tired of humans turning their hearts & heads away from the situations, sweeping them under the rug.

Well,.....there are too many "lumps under the rugs" now.

We can all see this.

The "lumps" cannot be hidden anymore.

Why don't you all show this state, this country & the WORLD that New Mexico CAN & DO make & create positive actions that can help us ALL for the better!

Thank you

SGMKJ

**From:** Diane Stayner [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 12:14:32 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Hello,

Please do what you can to decrease trapping. It is a horrible way to die just fir being the way God made you.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

Diane Stayner RN

McIntosh

**From:** Yamuna Landsberg [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 12:14:57 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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- To Whom It May Concern
- Please consider the following points
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- Trapping is **cruel**: trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.
- Trapping is **indiscriminate**: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.
- Trapping is **a public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in [amputation](#) and, in [two cases](#), death. Traps are a danger to people too.
- Trapping is **a drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Thank You for your time

Yamuna Landsberg

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 01:15:21 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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As a person who uses the outdoors and a business owner of mobile grooming company I have seen first hand what these barbaric traps do to our precious

wildlife and our irreplaceable pets. will you only take action after a child is caught in one don't wait til then.

As elected officials you need to ban these traps the majority should rule these barbaric practices are outdated and no longer necessary just

because our ancestors did dose not mean it is in any way a religious right or a cultural right. JUST BECAUSE WE CAN DOES NOT MEAN WE SHOULD !!

PLEASE BAN TRAPPING SAVE OUR WILDLIFE AND MAKE OUR LANDS SAFE TO USE FOR EVERYONE.

**From:** Susan Busch [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 01:33:44 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please outlaw all trapping on public lands. I was raised in New Mexico and have been hiking in the forests my whole life. Now my children and grandchildren continue to hike the forests. We don't always stay on the trails but wander in the woods. It scares me to think that trapping is allowed to exist. I'm not against hunting but trapping is randomly dangerous. No control over who is affected.

Please stop this from happening. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,  
Susan Busch

**From:** Jon Klingel [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 01:35:52 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Joanna and Roberta,

Hope this finds you well.

In my opinion, it is long past time to get traps and snares off public land in New Mexico. The State has changed a lot during the past many decades, in terms of the number of people using public lands and the way they use it. Trapping on public land is no longer compatible.

Thanks,

Jon Klingel

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**From:** Elsie Sandford [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:27:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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I read about the set of changes you are considering for trapping in New Mexico. I see that you don't understand the wishes of New Mexicans. The minor changes your are entertaining are inadequate to protect our public lands, trails, roads and places where the we New Mexicans frequently access for daily use or pleasure.

We don't want or need trapping on public lands, trails or roads. There should be no year-round seasons for any animals in New Mexico, and where traps are allowed, there must be frequent, at least daily, checking of the traps. If trappers can't abide these reasonable limits, they should not be allowed to trap at all.

All New Mexicans have a right to enjoy our public access places free of the danger of traps to our children, our pets, and ourselves. These rights should always come before any 'right' of those that intend to trap animals for personal gain. Public lands are for public use. Trapping in not in any way in the interest of the public.

Thank you for your reconsideration on these issues.

Sincerely,  
Elsie Sandford

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pam Neely [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:49:33 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Thank you for working so hard to protect New Mexico's public lands.

I have been hiking in the Sangre de Cristo mountains for nearly 15 years now, and have covered the terrain from Santa Fe to Taos and back. I always take a dog with me. Fortunately, he has not yet tripped a trap. Fortunately, I haven't tripped a trap either while bushwacking or looking for a campsite. But when I got my Wilderness First Responder certification earlier this year, tripping a trap was one of the reasons to get it.

We all really do deserve to go for a walk in the woods without threat to life and limb - literally. Please end this lunacy. Ban trapping in public lands. All public lands. Now.

Warm Regards,  
Pam Neely  
homeowner, voter, hiker

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 12:24:21 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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As a pet parent and lover of our public lands I urge you to ban ALL traps from NM's public lands.

Sincerely,

Tiffany Nicol  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Greg P [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 11:20:55 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Dear Commissioners,

I hope you are well and in good spirits.

I am emailing simply to ask you to ban animal traps from all public lands belonging to New Mexico.

Thank you kindly for you time and energy given to this matter.

Sincerely,  
Greg Corning

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**From:** Tessa Dowell [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 09:46:45 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please ban traps from all public lands. The cruelty of traps is barbaric and inexcusable.

Tessa

Tessa Dowell  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Donald Helfrich [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 08:19:53 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Hello,

I am a Biogeographer and I teach at CNM. Trapping is a non-specific targeting mechanism that is horrific in its cruelty. Please see reason and compassion and outlaw trapping on public lands. My students are universally appalled when I give them the details of their home state in this matter.

Thank you,  
Don Helfrich

**From:** Allison Rand [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 03:21:48 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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- Trapping is a **drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Rejoice evermore ~ St. Paul

**From:** Susi [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 08:30:28 AM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Cc:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Good Morning,

Being out in nature is calming, rejuvenating and grounding for me. It is special and important.

I very much appreciate having so much of nature available in New Mexico. I therefore ask that you please set aside a large portion of it to remain free and wild and without traps.

Thank you very much.  
Susi Perry  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ann Roylance [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 07:08:27 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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70% of New Mexicans are against trapping. So who are you serving? The folks who can pay \$20 for unlimited trapping?  
It causes so much needless suffering. Why can't it be stopped?

Thank you,  
Ann ROYLANCE  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nancy Arenas [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 07:00:01 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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I urge you to endorse a trap-free New Mexico. It is the right thing to do.

- Here are some reasons:

1. Trapping is **cruel**: trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.
2. Trapping is **indiscriminate**: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.
3. Trapping is **a public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in [amputation](#) and, in [two cases](#), death. Traps are a danger to people too.
4. Trapping is **a drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Do the right thing for New Mexico.

Sincerely,

Nancy Arenas  
[REDACTED]

**From:** June Weatherspoon [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 06:40:14 AM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Commissioners,

New Mexicans want and deserve traps OFF of public lands.

Traps are cruel, they are indiscriminate, they are dangerous, and they are sapping our landscapes of native wildlife.

Please BAN all traps on public land.

Thank you for your consideration.

June Weatherspoon [REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Joan Rogers [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:25:19 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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My Search-and-rescue dog had her foot caught in a trap, and while it didn't permanently maim her, it was very painful and traumatic. Afterward, as we talked to people, we found that having a pet caught in a leg trap was not uncommon.

If it's harmful to dogs, it's equally harmful to wildlife. If animals need to be moved from an area, there are humane traps to catch them without harming them.

Please ban all leg trapping in New Mexico.

Thank you.

Joan L Rogers  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Tortugamouse1 [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 07:13:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please stop all trapping, it is cruel and indiscriminate. Minnie Murray

**From:** Rebecca Kraimer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:41:17 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from ALL NM public lands

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Dear Game Commissioners:

Nearly 70% of New Mexicans oppose trapping entirely.

No one on public land anywhere in our state should be subject to the harm and danger that hidden traps pose.

A public lands trapping ban (like [Roxy's Law](#)) is the best way to stop the cruelty and risk to public safety. Instead, you are entertaining an inadequate [set of changes](#) to the rule, including:

Closing *only 0.5%* of New Mexico's public land to most traps.

Increasing setbacks from trailheads, *but not from trails or roads*.

Adopting a year-round season for raccoons and nutria.

Increasing trap check times for underwater traps.

If these inadequate proposals stand, New Mexico will still allow unlimited killing of any "furbearing" species like foxes, bobcats and badgers, so trappers can make as much money as possible from the sale of their pelts. Wildlife species will still be caught by mistake, including endangered animals like the Mexican wolf. The by-catch of unintended species like javelina, cougars, bears, squirrels, porcupines and birds will still go unrecorded and uncounted. Trappers will still not be held liable if a canine companion is hurt as a result of being trapped or if a human is injured rescuing their dog.

These minor changes are a joke. **New Mexicans want and deserve traps OFF of public lands.** Traps are cruel, they are indiscriminate, they are dangerous, and they are sapping our landscapes of native wildlife. **Don't any of you care?**

**Public lands are for public use. Traps and the public don't mix!**

Sincerely,  
**Rebecca A. Kraimer**

**From:** Toni Carrell [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:27:46 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban use of animal traps in New Mexico

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps and snares are cruel, indiscriminate and exploitative of our wildlife. They have no place on public land. Not only do they cause suffering, they also catch household pets. There is no substantiated evidence to support trapping as a method for 'controlling' wildlife. I am adamantly opposed to the use of these traps and urge you to ban their use on all public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Toni Carrell  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Peggy Froelich (peggyfroelich@gmail.com) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:01:10 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on rules regarding trapping on public lands

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

These traps are a threat to people and domestic animals as well as causing cruel torture to animals intentionally trapped. This is not acceptable on any public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Peggy Froelich

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ellen Chavez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 11:07:18 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and fur bearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

no one should be wearing fur anymore. animals caught in traps may lay there for days suffering before they are killed. this is a modern-day when no one needs to trap animals. what if a person lays there for days.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ellen Chavez  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Tim Scalzone [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 10:22:37 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Commissioners, It seems antiquated to allow people who have access to many forms of material to kill my wildlife. It is not necessary for our survival. It may be necessary for our fauna survival. Please limit as much as you can this antiquated activity on my public land in New Mexico. Yhank you, Tim Scalzone

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Tim Scalzone  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Patrick Dobson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 10:16:22 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patrick Dobson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Melissa Meth [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 09:47:32 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Many different animals can be caught in a trap by mistake including dogs and humans. Trapping is inhumane and should not be allowed on any public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Melissa Meth  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Donna Bradley (████████████████████) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 08:42:31 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

The proposed changes are not adequate. A trap does not know what kind of animal it is ensnaring. More than 3 to 1, New Mexicans oppose trapping on public lands. We must make our laws reflect the humane intentions of our citizens.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Donna Bradley  
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**From:** Philip Delaplaine [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 08:40:18 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Philip Delaplaine  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Connie Tull [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 06:56:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I enjoy mycology and you don't find mushrooms nicely placed next to the trail. You wander through the woods, over downed trees and wherever they take you. I think this barbaric practice of trapping risks my health as well as other mycophiles and the healthy wildlife that roam our forests. My preference would be zero traps...period.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Connie Tull  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Inge Bjorkman [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 01:53:07 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Inge Bjorkman  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** sue harrington [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 12:59:44 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

sue harrington  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mari Dominguez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 12:22:00 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mari Dominguez  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mark Boslough [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 09:49:10 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

There is absolutely now reason why New Mexicans should allow ourselves, our children, our pets, and our wildlife to be put at risk for the profit and entertainment of others.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mark Boslough  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Karen Langley [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 09:18:06 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Stop exploiting our public lands by cruel indiscriminate trapping !! My family has encountered traps and trapped animals, including injury to our family dog, while exploring and hiking. Come on, get with the 21st century and ban trapping. It's a despicable practice.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Karen Langley  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Susan Selbin [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 08:53:41 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Susan Selbin  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Walter Wait [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 08:47:53 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps are inhumane and indiscriminate. They do not belong anywhere, especially not on public lands. Please tell me I am wrong to believe that your agency is funded by blood money, money coming in from trapping and hunting permits. Americans do not wear fur! America has to be a frontrunner in our fight against animal cruelty. Do the right thing: NO traps on public lands..

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Walter Wait  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Edward Mosimann [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 08:46:12 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Bad behavior, period!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Edward Mosimann  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Virgene Link-New [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 07:56:45 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is indiscriminate and inhumane. It is time to leave this practice in the past. Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Virgene Link-New

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Raleigh Koritz [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 07:47:44 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Raleigh Koritz  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Anita Deming ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 06:42:26 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Anita Deming  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jeffrey Larsen ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 06:38:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

In addition to wanting to feel safe when out with my dogs, it's crucial that we protect the biodiversity of NM. We have already driven so many species to the edge of extinction. Trapping doesn't have a place here.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Larsen  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Doris Street [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 06:32:40 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Stop this dangerous and unnecessary practice

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Doris Street

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Teresa DuBois [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 04:32:30 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

My dog was caught in a steel trap in Los Alamos County in 2014. I never want anyone to go through what we went through. I am a retired search and rescue volunteer who has worked with search dogs for 34 years. I simply can't imagine a trained dog getting caught in one of these. Wild animals have no guardians to release them from traps. Their death is agonizing and lingering. Please ban these horrible devices in our state. I will never feel safe in the wilderness until these are outlawed. Give our wildlife a break.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Teresa DuBois  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carolyn Beaty ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 03:29:29 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

There is no humane rationale to allow animals to suffer the agony of being caught in traps, especially in our public lands. Please take the enlightened and compassionate approach and ban trapping on public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Beaty  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** David Rice [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 03:06:15 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Rice  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** John Banker [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 01:54:04 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I detest the barbaric act of trapping in the highest level. Anyone who supports trapping should be removed from office. This goddamn practice needs to be outlawed NOW!!!!!!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

John Banker  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jean Crawford ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 01:37:09 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It is past time to end indiscriminate killing on public lands. You don?t want traps, snares and poison in your workspace, so do not allow these dangers for outdoor creatures and users.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jean Crawford

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Hari Rai Khalsa [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 01:28:48 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Hari Rai Khalsa  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Krystal Ortiz [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 11:05:54 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please stop destroying others lives this is horrible and will have an impact on all of us!!!!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Krystal Ortiz

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Gwen Gilligan ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 11:05:45 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

This is barbaric and this method of trapping should be stopped. Far too many innocent animals get caught in these awful, medieval traps and die needlessly painful deaths.. There are many citizens out here who are adamantly against this so please listen to us with as much, or more, than the trapper lobby

Gwen Gilligan  
Santa Fe resident since 1973

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gwen Gilligan  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jane Engel [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 11:03:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jane Engel  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joan Walker [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 10:52:59 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joan Walker  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Lura Brookins [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 10:50:22 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please demonstrate humane treatment of all animals!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Lura Brookins  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Michael F. Rhoderick [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 10:40:35 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It is time we put the archaic, cruel practice trapping wild animals where it belongs..in the PAST!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Michael F. Rhoderick  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ann Cross [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 10:00:48 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

This is cruel and unnecessary

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ann Cross  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ed Werda ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 09:11:25 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps are a CRUEL and barbaric method of trapping

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ed Werda  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Candace Stoughton [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 08:04:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping that causes the animal suffering (e.g. steel jaws of any size, hunger, thirst, etc.) is cruel and unusual punishment and should not be allowed anywhere in the state. NM wildlife of every species are part of our amazing natural heritage and should not be removed from their natural habitat; especially through cruel methods that cause the animal to suffer.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Candace Stoughton  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Everett Cole [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 07:47:54 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Everett Cole  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Damien Roberts [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 07:39:19 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I recently retired and spend a lot of my time hiking, fishing and hunting with my dogs on public lands and National forests. I hope you consider how trapping in these areas hinders recreation. There is no trigger on a trap. They are indiscriminate and lethal. Dying caught in a snare is a terrible way to go.

Thank you for your consideration,  
Damien Roberts

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Damien Roberts  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Kester Oman [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 07:10:06 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please step up, be humane and save wild creatures for the sake of the animals and ourselves, for the future and for the present; it will take courage!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Kester Oman  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Freya Harris ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 06:48:38 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Freya Harris  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Leslie Bezner [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 06:21:02 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

This practice is cruel and should not be considered recreational

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Leslie Bezner  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Susan Winter [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 05:43:56 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Susan Winter  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Caroline S?villa [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 03:44:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Caroline S?villa  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Antoinette Gonzales [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:20:55 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Antoinette Gonzales  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Alicia Hall [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:57:12 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Alicia Hall

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** David Doty ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:24:08 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Because traps can capture any animal, inclined pets, I feel that they should be completely banned. Knowing that this is unlikely, I encourage you to limit and restrict their use as much as possible. Even the target animals are subjected to pain amounting to torture, and I see no justification for this. Our regulations should be compassionate to all sentient beings!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Doty  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Yvette Tapp [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:58:08 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Yvette Tapp

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Gaetane Gonzales ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:56:08 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Do not allow any snares or traps on any public lands for wildlife to be killed in a slow, painful manner. This is inhumane and barbaric cruelty to all wildlife!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gaetane Gonzales  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Martha Ennis ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:30:10 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It is long past time to abolish all trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands. Please do it.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Martha Ennis

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jonathan Hartshorne [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:00:55 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Hartshorne  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Chris Peck ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:41:52 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

There is no place for traps and snares anywhere.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Chris Peck

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sally Sutton [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:39:48 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sally Sutton  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Eva Lipton-Ormand [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:28:52 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

We are the last frontier. Please preserve our unique wildlife. What do future generations have to look forward to.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Eva Lipton-Ormand  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mark Bourke ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:15:30 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mark Bourke

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Thomas Mims [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 06:44:55 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Public lands are for all people to enjoy and benefit from. Trapping has no place on them. It is cruel and indiscriminate. Animals are having a hard enough time surviving as we encroach on their environments without us adding to their burden by placing traps on their trails.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Thomas Mims  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sue Nulton ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 06:42:43 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

There is no real reason for trapping and killing anymore, this isn't the 1800's. Hunting for food is one thing, trapping for the sake of trapping or because some livestock may be threatened is wrong. These animals were here long before the human population and they will survive the demise of humans. It is cruel and inhumane. I only wish those who do trapping could get caught in one of their own traps.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sue Nulton  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Delia Barrett [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 06:37:04 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps are indiscriminate, therefore dangerous.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Delia Barrett  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sue Herrmann [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 05:53:14 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

There is no way to ?limit? the kinds of animals that are caught in these barbaric traps. If they are being trapped for their coats, I have to ask why we, as a civilized people, allow this torture to happen. If they are nuisance animals that are causing damage to other species, we need to find another way to reduce these populations.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sue Herrmann  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ekaterina Adams [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 05:32:00 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I am writing to encourage you to ban trapping from all public lands in New Mexico. Trapping is a cruel, barbaric practice that entails a slow and painful death for animals. Unlike hunting, there is no gamesmanship to trapping. Trapping also endangers humans. Public lands belong to all of us; they are also designated for the protection of nature - animals and people should feel safe on public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ekaterina Adams  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jeffrey Sauer [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 05:17:23 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please stop this practice and protect New Mexico's wildlife

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Sauer  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Marie Miller ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 05:07:33 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I live in the Santa Cruz area and demand that you END this insane trapping rule. Everyday you endanger our wildlife, our children, and our paets. END TRAPPING now. P.S. I'm also a lifelong hunter.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Marie Miller  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Wayne Darnell [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:57:26 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Wayne Darnell  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Valerie Cranmer [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:55:27 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

One of the reasons I moved to NM was to be able to enjoy seeing its abundant wildlife. I do not want to see any thing being trapped, anywhere. It is a barbaric and outdated inhumane practice.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Valerie Cranmer  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Patricia Whalen [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:43:13 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

They indiscriminately maim and kill all kinds of wildlife, including vital endangered species. Please stop this practice.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patricia Whalen  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Morgan Maxwell [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:03:18 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Morgan Maxwell  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Laura Bass [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:56:25 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Laura Bass  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mermier Christine [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:53:21 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

My dog, Moki, got stuck in a trap as we were running about 1/2 mile from the Embudo trailhead in Albuquerque right at the foothills by Indian School road. I, luckily was able to free her with help from my friend. The traps are indiscriminate (unlike hunting) and can harm pets, people, endangered species, and any animal, legal or not, When my dog was in the trap we were on an established trail on forest service land, just past the open space boundary. This practice is cruel and dangerous and needs to be ended. Thank you for reading my comments. I hope you will do the right thing and stop the barbaric practice.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mermier Christine  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Avery Ainsworth [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:22:54 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please heed the majority of New Mexicans who believe trapping is inhumane and dangerous. Protect our lands for ALL of us.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Avery Ainsworth  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Brenna Lissoway ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:22:15 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I understand that trapping and snares have a long cultural history in the West, but the time has come to move away from an indiscriminate, cruel, and barbaric practice. Like many other traditions, as our societal values and our environmental conditions change we must adapt, too. As an avid outdoors person and lover of our public lands I want my family, friends, pets, and wildlife neighbors to be able to safely enjoy and thrive in our shared outdoor environments. Its time for New Mexico trapping laws to move into the 21st century.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Brenna Lissoway  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** David Stout [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:02:41 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Stout

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rebecca Nafey [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 02:49:57 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Nafey  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rod Guinn [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 02:40:07 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rod Guinn  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Beverley Spears [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 02:34:15 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is cruel and archaic. Barbaric in fact.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Beverley Spears  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Anne McElderry Zurbay [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 02:32:06 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It is both dangerous AND inhumane.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Anne McElderry Zurbay  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Dr. David Stupin [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 02:13:59 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please outlaw trapping on public lands. Traps cruelly punish trapped animals. It is painful to watch a trapped animal. I tried once to free a trapped wild bobcat where we had hiked and were camping. I didn't have the right tools to quickly kill the animal. My kids cried at the sight of this injured animal, and it was painful and difficult for us to try to kill it. I fear that some day I'll lose my attention and our leashed dog will walk into one of these traps causing great harm to our dog and grief to our family members. When we are backpacking, our dog provides great comfort to us by alerting us to the presence of wild predators. However, we fear that she will be seriously injured by a trap.

Please prohibit recreational and commercial trapping on all public lands.?

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Dr. David Stupin  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carmon Steven [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 02:04:21 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carmon Steven  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Cheri Vasek [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 01:52:54 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

There are many potential negative consequences. For native wildlife, there will be no limits on numbers of animals that might be trapped. It is also possible that domesticated dogs (people's pets) may be trapped as well. Trapping on public lands is ill conceived, and I oppose it strongly.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Cheri Vasek  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Vicki Word [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 01:33:03 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Vicki Word  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Linda Buchser [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 01:03:56 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is both cruel and indiscriminate in the potential victims. We need less interference in the natural order of things, not more. To allow trapping with no limits on furbearing species is both a moral and an ecological tragedy. I urge you to strengthen the restrictions on trapping on our public lands, not loosen them.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Linda Buchser  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Richard Altrock [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 12:42:51 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Richard Altrock  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Pamela Bello [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 12:38:08 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Pamela Bello

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Deborah Sandoval [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 12:09:11 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Deborah Sandoval  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Laurie Zunner [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 12:03:07 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Laurie Zunner  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Neal DeVitt [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 11:58:43 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It is a danger to hikers children and pets.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Neal DeVitt  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Londa Fowler [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 11:54:51 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Londa Fowler  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jan Olsen [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 11:31:14 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

please, with extinctions happening worldwide, can't we eliminate cruelty to our fellow planet dwellers. Please

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jan Olsen  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Patsy Parentice ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 11:09:17 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patsy Parentice  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Randall T. Phipps [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 11:04:36 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

The days of trapping for a living are over, get a job! Animals are under so much pressure from the environment and man, do we need to brutally murder them. Any hunter knows, there is no honor in making animals needlessly suffer! Plus the collateral damage is unacceptable, like one of my dogs perhaps?

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Randall T. Phipps

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Phil Garrett [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 11:03:41 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

As a long time Fly Fisher and Lover of Nature. I find trapping cruel and anachronistic in a time when our public lands are valued and enjoyed by so many of our citizens.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Phil Garrett  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Walter Bishop [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:59:34 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please...

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Walter Bishop  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Diane Mankin ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:59:19 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

These lands are meant to preserve nature so trapping has no place. Animals need to be able to roam free without hidden traps and nooses.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Diane Mankin  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Robert Cantua ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:44:58 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping on New Mexico public land is unacceptable!

This practice kills many unintended species, and harms domestic animals by being too close to hiking trails.

this practice was common in the early 1800's as a way to catch food for early settlers. Now it is unacceptably being used mostly for sport.

This practice is antiquated and MUST BE BANNED!

Thank You.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Robert Cantua

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rembrandt Stokhof De Jong [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:27:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

This is an inhumane practice a fit needs to stop.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rembrandt Stokhof De Jong

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Marcia Kellam [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:21:49 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

The cruelty and barbarity of trapping is completely unconscionable for ANY reason. These beautiful animals are living in THEIR habitat, and should be allowed to do so safely, just as we like to live in our neighborhoods safely. I don't care what trappers use as their excuses for this heinous way of murdering innocent beings. Would they like it to happen to any of their loved ones? I doubt it. It's WAY time to start treating our fellow beings as beings, and not use them as an excuse to kill, especially in such painful, horrible ways.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Marcia Kellam  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** shirley anderson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:18:34 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

shirley anderson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mark Miller [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:18:17 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I have only once come across a trap along the Rio Grande, upper reaches of Cochiti Lake, with fox remains in it, wasted! But I had no idea how widespread it is in NM. Please review your policy and modify according to recommendations made by Rio Grande Chapter.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mark Miller  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joyce Cousino [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:14:27 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please ban these horrible traps.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joyce Cousino  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Robert Rondeau [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:12:38 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It is finally time for the banning of trapping any wildlife. It doesn't matter if it is commercial or hobbyists. I do not believe that it is correct to use traps on any animals. The animals are often left to die in them. Animal fur is not an appropriate material for clothing in this day and age!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Robert Rondeau  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Diane Allan ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:01:48 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps are inhumane and indiscriminate. They have no place on public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Diane Allan  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Lori Moore [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:53:21 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I moved here from Iowa a year ago. I want to hike with my dog but afraid she will get caught in a trap somewhere. I like to photograph flowers and trees but hesitant to step off trails too far. I only hike with a group in case one of us gets caught in a trap, others are there to help. Just read an article in the ABQ Journal where an illegal trapper was not charged due to missteps on the game commission's part. Wow, how sad!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Lori Moore

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Bob Macpherson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:47:38 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I'm a scientist living in Santa Fe, New Mexico. I am against trapping. When I was a kid in high school in Connecticut, I ran a trap line for several years to earn money. I trapped muskrats, but one day I caught a beaver. It was alive. Beavers were protected, so I ran home (about 2 miles), got 2 heavy pliers, ran back and set the beaver free. So, I learned the hard way that trapping and snaring are extremely inhumane practices. I am ashamed of my high school trapping. I now believe that animal trapping is unethical and immoral. Thank you for listening to my opinion.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Bob Macpherson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** A Charlene McDermott [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:44:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

A Charlene McDermott  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** R.A.L. West ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:44:02 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

R.A.L. West

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Tiffany Nicol [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:41:06 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Tiffany Nicol  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** John Davis [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:38:35 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps don't discriminate between target species and non-target species. Trapping presents a life threatening danger to hikers and pets, and needs to be banned on all public lands in the state of New Mexico. Please do the right thing, and ban the use of traps on OUR public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

John Davis  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Eric Shekter [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:34:20 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Eric Shekter

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Peter Krogseng [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:32:50 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

These are our lands we have the public as a public person I don't think that traps or poison should be used on public lands so that a few cattle Farmers ranchers can benefit this is nonsense 90s probably + percent of the people use these lands are non ranchers and we don't feel that way and should be desecrated with traps or poison for the sake of a few cattle ranchers thank you

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Peter Krogseng  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Otis Peterson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:32:30 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Otis Peterson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carl Peterson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:28:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is cruel and benefits only a small group of people in NM. Please stop this barbaric practice immediately. NM is better than this. You are not managing our wildlife but merely perpetuating our image as being cruel and wasteful.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carl Peterson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** William Riker [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:21:58 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is just plain cruel!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

William Riker  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Noel Aronov ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:18:44 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Noel Aronov  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joyce Jenkins [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:00:31 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joyce Jenkins  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Gail Seydel [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:00:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

END TRAPPING-- as a person who hikes past your inappropriate 1/2 mile no trapping area trapping is not safe. Not only have wildlife and domesticated animals been injured. we humans have been caught in traps too.

TIME TO STOP TRAPPING ON PUBLIC LANDS

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gail Seydel  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Maresa Luzier [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:47:47 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I understand there are still people making a living from trapping. However we need to make sure animals threatened or endangered cannot put at risk. So those areas should be off the list, as well as public use areas.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Maresa Luzier  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Shelley Westfall ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:47:00 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I absolutely oppose the trapping of any wild animal, it's against my values.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Shelley Westfall  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Nancy Merritt [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:41:52 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Animal cruelty is animal cruelty, regardless of the political reasoning. Collateral damage is a reality in any kind of warfare. Please do not make war against nature. We are supposed to be the "thinking" species. We should practice what we think we are.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Nancy Merritt  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joan Menter [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:35:16 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps can't tell the difference between pets or endangered species or humans and their so-called targets. The cruelty inflicted on living creatures of any kind is horrible and should be stopped. People, their children and their pets and service animals using public lands should be safe from hidden traps and random trapping destroys the wildlife we go there to see and photograph. This wanton destruction of wildlife damages the whole ecosystem and the "nature" we leave the cities to go see.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joan Menter  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mary Westerlund [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:34:34 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

New Mexico Game Commission should prohibit ALL trapping on ALL Public lands in NM. This outdated practice is dangerous to the public and to our animal friends!

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mary Westerlund  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Maury Culberg [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:30:42 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Maury Culberg

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Diana Thatcher [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:26:35 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Public lands are for all of us, not just the trappers, and our precious wildlife should be protected from indiscriminate harm, to say nothing of the danger to dogs, children and unsuspecting hikers. I'm certain the majority of New Mexicans feel as I do.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Diana Thatcher  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mary Ann Wolf-Lyerla [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:24:21 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann Wolf-Lyerla

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Leslie Waltzer [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:13:57 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Leslie Waltzer  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Al Gelina [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:10:29 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please follow the guidelines set by the Sierra Club-I echo their sentiments

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Al Gelina  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** John Wilhelmsen [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:04:52 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I would like to believe that we as a species have come along far enough to stop trading animals lives for profit, especially the indiscriminate means used to take their lives. Please see beyond the almighty dollar and enact the means to end trapping on public lands.  
Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

John Wilhelmsen  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Cynthia Hull [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:57:49 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps aren't humane, and frequently a non-target animal or person gets caught in a trap. Please don't allow them.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Hull  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Constance Franklin [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:57:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

As an American who travels extensively to our Parks and Public lands, spending much time and money, for the chance to view wildlife and enjoy pristine nature, the last thing I want to see or know about is traps designed to kill America's wildlife. Trapping is an archaic and environmentally unsound practice that must be relegated to the barbaric ignorant past of whence it came.

You have to know by now that trapping animals is notoriously cruel and indiscriminate in target. Our American wildlife, and especially our keystone species, are essential to thriving ecosystems, and allowing people to trap our wildlife for I can only assume, the international fur trade, or some such frivolous penny driven endeavor is ethically repugnant, environmentally unsound, and a slap in the face to all of the millions of Americans out here that treasure American's wildlife and understand they have the right to exist free of grotesque exploitation and harm. Last but not least, trapping on our public lands is dangerous to the public and our companion dogs that sometimes accompany us. So care about us, the vast majority, care about our wildlife and end pandering to an exploitative and profit driven industry that only benefits a few.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Constance Franklin  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Michelle Torrez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:47:10 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Michelle Torrez  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ann McCartney (████████████████████) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:28:25 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I live near public lands that I walk several times a week. The wildlife in the public lands has diminished greatly just in the 15 years I have lived there - we no longer see foxes, badgers or bobcats. It make no sense to continue to allow trapping on public lands for species that already in decline. In addition, traps and public don't mix. Our beagle had his leg broken in a trap at great expense to us and great pain to him. Do not allow trapping on public lands for the protection of people, their pets and the already threatened wildlife in NM.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ann McCartney

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**From:** Jill Joseph [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:12:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is an unnecessary and destructive way to deal with wildlife. It's collateral damage to all animal and human life is simply wrong and unacceptable. Please ban this on all public lands. Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jill Joseph  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Esther Armijo ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:05:53 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

This is one of the worst things you could do to our animals. Please do not torture on our public lands. We oppose trapping on any of NM public lands now! Stop this insanity NOW!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Esther Armijo  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Becky Renfro [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:03:58 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

As a dog owner, i am concerned that traps on public land will injure either me or my dog. I should be able to use public lands without the fear of being injured while enjoying the beautiful New Mexico landscape. I am also concerned that other wildlife may be injured or killed unless we establish rules that will minimize harm to humans and wildlife. Thank you for your consideration.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Becky Renfro  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** David Koziol [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 06:47:27 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

We don't need them- there is no reason to use archaic methods to capture animals. Haven't we screwed up enough for too many years?

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Koziol  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Donald Cooney [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 06:31:48 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It is well past time to put this barbaric practice to rest and join the more than one hundred nations that have outright prohibited it. The cruelty to wildlife caught in these traps is unacceptable and the dangers to pets, domestic animals and people means it is time to completely eliminate all trapping on all public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Donald Cooney  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** S Kurtz [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 06:29:58 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I strongly urge you to prohibit all recreational and commercial trapping on all public lands. The beauty of New Mexico lands is one of the strongest points in attracting visitors to our state. Friends and relatives from outside NM have come to hike and camp. Traps and snares should not be part of their experience. Please ban all trapping on public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

S Kurtz  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** sau tsang [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 05:41:59 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

sau tsang  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Brooke Brown [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:58:41 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please don't be cruel. Please.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Brooke Brown  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sudeshna Ghosh [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:55:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sudeshna Ghosh  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Kathleen Province [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:32:34 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Public lands are used by many people, their children and pets, and there have been several incidents where domestic animals have been caught in traps resulting in injuries, vet bills and distraught people. There have been incidents of traps being set very close to legal, public trails. Stop permitting trapping on public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Province  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Raleigh Koritz [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:09:59 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Raleigh Koritz  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Anna Brewer [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:31:41 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Anna Brewer  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carol Yanker [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 01:31:14 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps are indiscriminate and dangerous to humans and wildlife. As an avid hiker, I have enjoyed walking on many New Mexico trails. A hidden trap could cripple me or another hiker. Traps endanger humans and their canine companions as well as protected wildlife species.

Additionally, traps are cruel and cause much suffering for protected and non protected species alike. As compassionate humans, we can do better than to torture living creatures. We must share our planet with other species and stop thinking of ourselves as the owners of everything on it.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carol Yanker  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Heather Knight [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 01:08:57 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Heather Knight  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Patricia Legrand [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 12:31:41 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Our Wildlife cannot speak for themselves. We must be their voice and demand protection and freedom from torture.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patricia Legrand  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Candice Blazzio ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 12:30:43 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Candice Blazzio  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rhonda Alterson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 11:43:00 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rhonda Alterson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jennifer White [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 11:07:02 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jennifer White  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ron Faich [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 11:06:21 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ron Faich

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sue Essen [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 11:06:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please PLEASE outlaw this cruel practice!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sue Essen  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Kirsten Lear ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 11:04:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Kirsten Lear  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Hodge Jones ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 11:04:10 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Hodge Jones

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mary Brown [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:31:27 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mary Brown  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Onishea Aguilera [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:27:04 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Onishea Aguilera  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Liz Trujillo ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:26:48 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Liz Trujillo

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ed-Nora Boon Von Ochssee [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:23:09 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ed-Nora Boon Von Ochssee

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Tom Gorman [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:09:20 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Tom Gorman  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Judith Allen ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:05:45 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Judith Allen  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Anne Petrokubi [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 09:58:18 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Anne Petrokubi  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** James Enright [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 09:46:08 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please stop this cruel practice. Numerous innocent animals and people have been hurt from these traps!!!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

James Enright  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rebecca Rose [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 09:29:52 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Rose  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sahnta Dicesare-Pannutti [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 09:27:20 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sahnta Dicesare-Pannutti

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** David Hammack [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 09:21:22 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Hammack  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** John Meade ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 09:17:30 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

John Meade  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Todd Monson ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:55:37 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Todd Monson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** K West [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:48:52 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping has been banned in over 80 international countries, yet it is common here in the West. I think we can afford to advance to modern times. Never have wildlife been under so much pressure due to loss of habitat and contamination of our natural environment. Please don't allow torture to their troubles,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

K West  
General Delivery

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Martha Abatuno [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:47:06 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

i personally had to help a friend release her dog from a trap on public lands. It remains one of the most traumatic experiences of my lifetime. If the dog's leg had not been small and thin the trap would have broken its leg and I doubt we wd hv been able to release it from the anonymously set trap. The practice is cruel, inhumane, and has no place on our shared public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Martha Abatuno  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Arnold Farley ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:46:53 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It is very important to keep hunting and trapping separate from the public access lands. Thank you

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Arnold Farley

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Robert Fischhoff [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:46:14 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Robert Fischhoff

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Julie Valdez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:43:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Julie Valdez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Wanda Roach [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:42:30 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Wanda Roach  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Evan Mchale [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:37:38 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping animals is cruelty hiding behind some other purpose. What is the PURPOSE of trapping?? To exploit the wild animals for It profit and with the extra benefit of satisfying our own cruelty thrown in? How base we are! Please do the right ting and stop this barbaric sport. Trapping animals so they suffer needlessly in traps of WRONG? What is going on here in New Mexico our beautiful Land of Enchantment? These animal do not even have a fighting chance against us. We are losing them and other life forms at alarming rate. We have to take care of them for generations to come. Thank you for reading my note and please, please vote against barbaric and cruel Trapping of animals for no good purpose but to make them suffer. Evan McHale

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Evan Mchale  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Deborah L. Hall [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:34:37 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Deborah L. Hall  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Larry Hindman ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:31:10 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I can't believe this continues to be allowed. It is cruel, inhumane, and unnecessary. It is criminal activity in most States and civilized countries around the world. Why it is still allowed in New Mexico is beyond unconscionable. The TINY minority of people in the state who claim it is somehow necessary are [wrong](#). You know there is a great deal of unbiased scientific data that shows no value to trapping. Why are you even considering it. How about following the will of the huge majority of the citizens of the state and ban this 19th century practice.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Larry Hindman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mark Rosacker [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:17:54 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

This is 2019, NOT 1919.

The NM Game Commission needs to wake up, respect the vast majority of New Mexicans, and ban ALL trapping on NM Public Lands. Protect all of our wildlife, including predators, uphold the 24 hour mandate to check traps, and get BOTH Commercial and Recreational trapping out of New Mexico. Our forests and public lands, and our wildlife belong to ALL New Mexicans, not just a few uneducated thugs who like to kill animals. Climb out of the ranching communities back pocket, get off your duffs, and PROTECT OUR WILDLIFE.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mark Rosacker  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Matthew Albright ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:17:38 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Matthew Albright

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Andrea Kitson ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:16:17 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

STOP THE INSANITY OF TRAPPING INNOCENT WILDLIFE IN THEIR HABITAT! I am against this cruel as well as inhumane sport. It is not necessary for this commercial and recreational trapping just so the rich assholes can hang a trophy on their wall! Our Native Americans never trapped or hunted this way. They lived on the land as well as with the land. They showed respect and thankfulness to the wildlife that fed them. They never killed for sport. Why do the people who trap this way think that it acceptable practice? Please stop this insane practice of killing our wildlife.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Andrea Kitson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Laura G [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:13:43 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

The public land belongs to all of us and is the home to the wildlife that lives there. We have no right to brutalize wildlife in their home any more than we would want them to hunt us in our home. The planet is for all of us including creatures that live on these lands. Let the live freely!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Laura G  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ann Neef ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:12:03 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ann Neef  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rhonda Berger [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:11:31 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps are cruel + inhumane! We r supposed to take care of G-d's creatures, not torture them!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rhonda Berger  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ann Neef [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:10:04 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is an outdated method of hunting that needs to be abolished. It is cruel, inhuman, and unnecessary. Please outlaw on our public lands and I hope eventually, outlawed all together.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ann Neef  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Allison Gentile [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:07:14 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It's hard for me to believe we still allow the use of these cruel, barbaric traps, especially since they catch so many animals who aren't even being targeted. I can't imagine the suffering animals go through once they're caught. I've read they'll gnaw their own paws off to escape. Please stop all trapping in our state.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Allison Gentile  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Barbara Swyden [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:06:44 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Barbara Swyden  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sharon Dogruel [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:04:54 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

There is absolutely no reason that New Mexicans need to trap animals on public lands since the skins of trapped animals are no longer anywhere marketable and the meat from trapped animals is useless. This is completely senseless and endangers the public and domestic animals that are victims of this nonsense. Stop this immediately.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sharon Dogruel  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carey McDonald [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:57:21 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

This is a cruel and inhumane practice that needs to stop completely. Please let NM be known for its compassion and respect for all life.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carey McDonald  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sean Mount ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:53:48 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sean Mount  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Philip Milstein [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:48:21 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Philip Milstein

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Marena Drlik [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:39:12 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I believe that trapping is a cruel way to kill animals and that the fur trade has no place on New Mexico public lands. Fur trading is a form of commerce that has too long out lasted the changes in science, conscience, and stewardship we have experienced in our modern world. It is time for this form of hunting to end. Please prohibit any recreational and/or commercial trapping on all public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Marena Drlik  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jonathan Brinkerhoff [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:34:39 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

The risk to hikers and their pets outweighs any claims made by trapping advocates. Hunting is fine, trapping is not.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Brinkerhoff  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Pat Duncan [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:32:00 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

No traps on public lands period.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Pat Duncan  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joan Rogers [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:31:54 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

My Search-and-Rescue dog was caught in a trap, near a well-used trail. It didn't do permanent damage, but it was very traumatic for her. Later, I heard of a number of other dogs who had also been caught in traps. Leg traps are inhumane for any animal, and I would very much like to see them made illegal on all public land. There are more humane traps made for animals that need to be relocated.

Thank you for your consideration.

Joan Rogers

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joan Rogers  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Bryan Romkey [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:30:55 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

My dogs have been caught in leg hold traps. Stop all trapping now!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Bryan Romkey  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carol Benson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:27:11 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It is just too brutal and ugly for words. That these traps can catch domestic animals and even a preoccupied person! makes it doubly inhumane

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carol Benson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Steve Hanes [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:25:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I am an avid hiker and often deviate off trail to explore, find shortcuts, and hike in remote areas of the state. I am fearful of my dog or myself being injured by a trap. I also value NM wildlife and would rather see animals than traps. Traps are dangerous and do not belong on public land. Please stop the trapping on public lands in our state. Thank you for your attention to this issue.  
Best Regards,  
Steve Hanes

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Steve Hanes  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** David Morrison ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:23:44 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping restrictions need to be increased due to pet owners increased recreational use in NM.

Trapping restrictions need to be increased due to increasing number of species facing increasing threats such as climate change.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Morrison  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Moriah Williams [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:19:55 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Moriah Williams  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Emily Rothman [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:16:37 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Emily Rothman  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** E Scantlebury [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:16:15 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

E Scantlebury  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Michelle Tan [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:15:30 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Let's keep public lands public.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Michelle Tan  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Lynn Olson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:15:19 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

There are too many people, too many domestic animals and too few wild ones in the woods in this day and age to use these incredibly cruel devices. Stop it everywhere.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Lynn Olson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** James Fydrych ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:14:22 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Leg traps are cruel to wildlife and dangerous to humans. Please ban leg traps.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

James Fydrych  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joanne Harris ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:13:33 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please stop the inhumane trapping.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joanne Harris  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jane Sawina [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:13:16 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jane Sawina  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Dorothy Moloney [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:11:16 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps and snares are cruel, indiscriminate and exploitative of our wildlife. They have no place on public land.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Moloney  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Richard Epstein [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:11:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping where the public can encounter the traps is very dangerous. One time a dog I had got caught in a trap. It was a big trap. He was howling and I went to get him out. I had no idea how traps work, so I couldn't figure out how to open it. I pried open the jaws of the trap with my hands, and my dog got his paw out but my finger got caught in the jaws as they closed. I could not open the trap. Finally, after about 5 minutes or more I figured out how to open the trap with the levers with my feet. I went to the emergency room of the hospital and almost lost a finger. There is no good reason for using traps in the face of such dangers. Consider also children.

Thank you, Dr. Richard L. Epstein

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Richard Epstein  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Robert Pierce [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:59:39 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Robert Pierce  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Artie Alfreds [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:51:31 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I abhor the cruel trapping of any animal.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Artie Alfreds  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Evalyn Bemis [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:50:39 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

This is the 21st century. There is no place for commercial trapping anymore - fake fur is available in spades for anyone who still thinks they are more impressive adorned in such. And recreational? Can there really be such a thing that requires inordinate suffering and cruelty to animals?

Lastly, for these very small numbers of trappers who insist they are upholding a tradition or putting their kids through college by trapping, I apologize but still say phooey. Wildlife on public lands is a public trust, and not to be harvested by the few for private consumption.

The day is coming when the public will demand an end to trapping in New Mexico; at the least on public lands. You can be the heroes who recognize where we are headed and make the rule changes or be the ones afraid to take meaningful action. Your choice.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Evalyn Bemis

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Richard Khanlian [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:50:06 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping may have been justified when New Mexico was a sparsely populated frontier, but it is a cruel anachronism now.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Richard Khanlian  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Caren Garcia [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:43:59 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please understand that your concern is appreciated, but I believe the measure does not go far enough to address real concerns about wildlife endangered by cruel, outdated traps. Traps are indiscriminate, they don't know who or what has triggered them. This fact alone is good reason to ban their use on public lands.

Thank you for hearing my views on this issue.

Caren Garcia

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Caren Garcia  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Susan Sita [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:43:41 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Susan Sita

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Jan Avent [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:43:02 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please prohibit trapping on public lands so I can enjoy seeing animals in their habitats. As a bird watcher and hiker, I expect to hike without fear of stumbling upon a trap or snare and to ensure that my greyhound will not be harmed. Trapping is inhumane and it is not the image I want others to have about New Mexicans.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jan Avent  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rose Busterna [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:42:15 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rose Busterna  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Alexandra Mirabal ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:36:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Alexandra Mirabal  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Andrew Abate [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:36:01 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Andrew Abate

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Randy Kenyon [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:32:16 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It's an outdated, inhumane practice that needs to be outlawed!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Randy Kenyon  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Madeline Aron [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:32:09 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Causing animals to suffer for monetary gain or fun(so-called "recreation") is disgusting and immoral. It is a known fact that lack of empathy for animals extrapolates to lack of empathy fellow humans.

May you have the integrity to do the right thing.

Sincerely,

Madeline Aron

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Madeline Aron  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Karin Turro [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:31:50 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I spend a lot of time in the NM wilderness riding my horse and fly-fishing. I am aware and concerned by the absence of many of the wildlife I used to see 10-15 years ago. There were beaver ponds on many high country streams, Santa Barbara, Rio Medio, El Provenir, Rio Cebolla to name just a few. I have not seen beavers in years or run into a badger for over a decade. Could this be because of over-trapping? I think so. I would like to see more trapping restrictions and accountability for other animals caught in traps by mistake.  
Concerned, Karin Turro

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Karin Turro  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Roger Southward [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:31:47 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Roger Southward  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carol Newton [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:30:36 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is incredibly cruel and harmful to the ecosystem.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carol Newton  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jacqueline Duke [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:27:49 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Such beautiful creatures suffering in a trap, dying of starvation or chewing off a foot to escape is simply unbearable. Please ban all trapping and let trappers know that it is not virtuous to kill in such a manner.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jacqueline Duke  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** David Mccoy [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:27:20 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Mccoy  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Laura Ramirez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:25:33 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

My personal thoughts are these: It is unfortunate that we, the human race, said to have evolved and become a superior living being can use traps and snares! This is cruel, torture, and inhumane! This makes me ponder who the real ?animals? are. Stop the senseless torture and killing of our precious wildlife, pets, and us!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Laura Ramirez  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Michael New [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:24:19 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

This trapping thing is so out of sync with any respectable behaviors. When there was abundant game, and frontiers to occupy, it made sense. Now it is just wanton cruelty for the sake of killing. Wake up! it is not 1900 anymore.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Michael New  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Charles Callahan [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:23:47 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping for profit isn't just obscene, it's also obsolete, unless your purpose is to have a photo of you, smiling, with one of your boots on the head of a dead cougar.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Charles Callahan  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jeri Oliver ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:23:13 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jeri Oliver

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jeff Pfohl [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:22:44 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jeff Pfohl  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Erika Wanenmacher [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:21:33 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Erika Wanenmacher  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Susan Holman [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:18:12 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Susan Holman  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Edward Leblanc ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:17:58 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

When hiking on public land, I sometimes venture away from established trails, and I worry about traps that could hurt me, my children or domestic animals. I worry about traps indiscriminately catching non-target animals, especially endangered or protected species.

Trapping may have been defensible a hundred years ago, but it is simply not consistent with our modern society, and environment.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Edward Leblanc  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Katie Johnson ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:17:22 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Katie Johnson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jaune Smith [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:12:35 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Why do people need to trap foxes, bobcats, badgers, wolves--there is no good reason further the danger to our household pets and ourselves puts all of us at risk. We need our natural world. Humans are devastating all of it.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jaune Smith  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Richard Prosapio [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:11:21 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

This kind of thing has gone on long enough. Let's move New Mexico into the 21st century and let us become a trap-free state. We need the positive P.R. Let us stop being last on every positive list and be FIRST for a change...for us and for our wonderful wildlife!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Richard Prosapio  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Karla Larsen [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:08:49 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Karla Larsen  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jessica Jakubanis [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:05:53 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jessica Jakubanis  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Gloria Constantin [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:04:15 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gloria Constantin  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Susan Jory ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:01:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Susan Jory

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Patricia Heck [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:59:55 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

New Mexico depends on tourists. They consider leg hold traps barbaric. That's not the image that attracts them.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patricia Heck  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Pamela Quay [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:57:31 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

The image, the idea, the thought of any living being suffering so much pain by being caught in a trap breaks my heart and diminishes my faith in the dignity of humans as caretakers of the Earth.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Pamela Quay  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jacqueline Cardona [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:49:42 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jacqueline Cardona  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Diane Bloom [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:48:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

The public lands are the domain of the public. To safeguard against any and all injuries no traps must be allowed

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Diane Bloom  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Barbara Rivers ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:45:54 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

There is no humane reason we should allow trapping to continue. It is cruel for any animal to die that way.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Barbara Rivers  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Glenn Yocum [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:41:43 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Glenn Yocum  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Cynthia Edney [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:39:02 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Edney  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Diane Staynet ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:38:01 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

None of God's creatures deserves to be tortured. It makes Him weep.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Diane Staynet

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sue Barnum [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:35:08 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sue Barnum  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Dawn Czapski [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:34:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

These animals are sentient beings with feelings. It is extremely cruel to trap them. It is the people who do this that I think need to be trapped as they do not have any conscience and are dangerous.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Dawn Czapski  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Evalinda Walrack [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:32:21 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

These proposals are inadequate and New Mexico cannot allow unlimited killing of any "furbearing" species like foxes, bobcats and badgers. Wildlife species will still be caught by mistake, including endangered animals like the Mexican wolf. The by-catch of unintended species like javelina, cougars, bears, squirrels, porcupines and birds will still go unrecorded and uncounted. Trappers will still not be held liable if a canine companion is hurt as a result of being trapped or if a human is injured rescuing their dog. That is wrong and not responsible wildlife management. A full ban on leg-hold traps and limits along with full reporting is responsible management. Live traps would be the answer - why is that not the solution?

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Evalinda Walrack  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** George Kunkle ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:31:40 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Recent accounts of peoples' pets being caught and killed in these traps are extremely upsetting. I can't imagine being out for a nice hike with my dog and having this happen.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

George Kunkle  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Don Parsons ([REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:31:31 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps are archaic and cruel. Ban them now!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Don Parsons  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Brita Sauer [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:30:30 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Brita Sauer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Anita Walsh ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:29:03 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping and the public don't mix, and we are talking about trapping on 'Public Lands'. You cannot designate that endangered species 'are not to be taken'... traps are indiscriminate and will take anything or anyone who unintentionally steps on them or are attracted to their bait. It is ludicrous to forbid the 'taking' of endangered species, (house pets, exuberant children ) when traps will 'take whatever comes near. This is terrifying to the 'public' and unintended damage has already been done as evinced by all the three legged dogs around, as well as the silently tossed endangered species. This is a travesty. Traps are the absolute cruelest way to 'take' an animal, and for the pennies paid in trapping licenses, the trappers get thousands for the skin of inhumanely taken animals. Only the tiniest portion of the public are trappers and they are keeping the majority of the public from the free and unafraid enjoyment of the public lands which belong to them. Millions of dollars are made in tourism due to the natural beauty of this state. Keep the cruel trapping of innocent creatures for the enrichment of the very few... off of public lands, and let us, and those who visit, enjoy them once again.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Anita Walsh  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Santiago Perez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:28:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Stop trapping fur-bearing animals, such as, bobcats, cougars, etc.; there is no place for any of that any more. Animals need to be allowed to survive in their habitats without this added threat to their survival. It is unconscionable for human beings to consider themselves the most important species and to kill any other animals. Ranchers and farmers need to secure their animals more closely; they need to ride herd; they need to sheep herd or watch their animals closer and run off predators, not kill them.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Santiago Perez  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Nicki Marx [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:25:44 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Nicki Marx  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sharron Dishongh [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:25:24 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I have been hiking on public lands in the past and had the misfortune for my dog to get her paw caught in a trap. This was very traumatic to my dog and me. Not only is it cruel for domestic pets, it is also cruel for wildlife.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sharron Dishongh  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Melissa Fagan ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:18:10 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Melissa Fagan  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** John Davis ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:17:49 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

John Davis

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Susan Mackin ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:17:32 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Don't allow abuse of God's creatures!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Susan Mackin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Timothy Nero ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:16:12 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Timothy Nero

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Karen Kahn ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:14:11 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is unnecessary and is beyond cruel. We are better than this. And even though there are people who don't care about animals at all, we should care. And if someone is ranching on public land, they need to do more work to provide ways to protect their cattle or stop ranching on my land.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Karen Kahn  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Bruce Donnell ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:12:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

There are so many reasons that trapping has no place on New Mexico's public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Bruce Donnell

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Deborah Risberg ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:10:43 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps are indiscriminate in the species that they trap and are SO cruel and inhumane! Let's lead the way as humane New Mexicans and end this cruel practice!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Deborah Risberg  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Charles Leavitt [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:09:55 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Charles Leavitt  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Landra White [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:04:51 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Landra White  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carol Licini ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:03:21 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is absolutely cruel and horrific. How can you, as human beings, allow this to continue? Have you no heart? It's hard enough to be a wild animal, to avoid cars, people, other wild animals, find food, etc. Trapping does not belong. Do something good in your lives and ban trapping!!! It's ridiculous that this state still allows it.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carol Licini  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Keith Neuner ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:51:28 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Keith Neuner  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Russell Fletcher ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:50:56 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Thank you for carefully considering my request, and for your work toward a healthy and peaceful planet, because the earth is the only planet for all of us.

Sincerely,  
Russell Fletcher

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Russell Fletcher  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Denys Cope [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:49:45 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Denys Cope

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Annie Evergreen [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:49:14 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is unkind, unfair, and dangerous. Please consider abolishing trapping. Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Annie Evergreen  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Haley Jones [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:45:01 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps are a danger to humans, dogs, and animals that are not the target of the traps. Traps do not discriminate what steps in them and only trap the species they're "supposed to", they trap whatever steps in them. Humans and their dogs out exploring public lands should not have to worry about traps. If you insist on allowing traps on public lands, at least hold trappers liable if a human or their dog is injured by a trap they set. Traps do so much more harm than good, and offer no benefit to the public on our public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Haley Jones  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mary Robert [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:44:12 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mary Robert

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Al Webster ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:44:08 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Al Webster  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** David Derringer ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:42:06 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

As a professional hunter/ outfitter #32 and former Army sniper for humane hunting should be "fair chase" and one shot one kill. Trapping in a moral society should be banned just as baiting and driving game with vehicles. I want all trapping banned in NM.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Derringer  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Val Talento [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:40:09 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Val Talento

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Wendy Cherry ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:40:00 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It's a cruel and completely unnecessary act. Why would we need to use such barbaric measures? Let's get creative and responsible and stop threatening and posing harm on other living creatures. Your own pet or loved one could be harmed. I do not and will not stand for such cruel exploitative treatment of wildlife. Please put an end to this.

Sincerely,  
Wendy Havlir Cherry

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Wendy Cherry  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joy Nagle ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:39:13 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I find the practice unbearably cruel. As stewards of this great land and the animals we should set an example that this barbaric practice belongs in the past. It is completely unacceptable that by keeping the proposal will still allow unlimited killing of any "furbearing" species like foxes, bobcats and badgers. In addition other species will still be caught by mistake, including endangered animals like the Mexican wolf. And the unintended species like javelina, cougars, bears, squirrels, porcupines and birds will still go unrecorded and uncounted. Trappers will still not be held liable if our dogs or cats are hurt as a result of being caught in traps. There is no way to continue to justify trapping as good practice. It's time to evolve and stop the cruelty.

Sincerely,  
Joy Nagle

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joy Nagle  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Richard Spas [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:38:39 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It is time to end all trapping on public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Richard Spas  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rachel Spring ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:36:21 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rachel Spring

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Stephanie Vorse [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:35:01 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Vorse  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Les Roberts [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:34:49 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Les Roberts  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Peter Roche ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:32:55 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps are extremely cruel to the target animals, in addition to being dangerous for other animals and even humans. They should have no place in our state.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Peter Roche

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Chemen Ochoa [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:32:40 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Chemen Ochoa

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joan Martinez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:28:16 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

You know all the reasons. Pets are in danger. Humans are in danger.  
But it's important to imagine how you can make this work. We cannot continue to destroy life in  
this fashion. It will destroy us.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joan Martinez  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Daniel Padilla [REDACTED] You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:25:40 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Daniel Padilla  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Barbara Carmichael [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:25:24 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Barbara Carmichael  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Judy Kramer [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:24:46 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Judy Kramer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Alan Shapiro ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:24:15 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I've personally seen traps along popular fishing spots on the Pecos. My toddlers discovered them and fortunately alerted me to them before any harm. So puzzled how these can be allowed on any public lands. Regardless of the rules on trapping, the trappers put them where they please. Get them off, totally off, all public lands.  
Thank you for this consideration.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Alan Shapiro  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Toby Sides [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:16:55 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is soooooo 1890s. Trapping with a chance of catching, and killing, an endangered animal just doesn't make any sense. Thanks

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Toby Sides

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Michele Downey [REDACTED] You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:16:48 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is cruel and inhuman. Its a lazy way to hunt and very indiscriminate. Since the State lacks resources to regulate closely then it should be done away with.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Michele Downey  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** John Roche ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:16:11 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

We should ban trapping completely in this state, as California has just done.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

John Roche  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Samuel Bawcum [REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:15:35 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Samuel Bawcum  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** William Mader [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:15:32 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I'm a New Mexico resident and have traveled extensively in the state as well as the southwest. I'm a former hunter and wildlife biologist. Trapping in the Old West was one thing, but that time has passed. Trapping and snaring animals unless an individual is a known killer (then get a permit) should be outlawed. It is cruel and unnecessary. I've seen what traps do.

Please stop commercial and recreational trapping on New Mexico's public lands.

Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

William Mader  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Vicky Oreilly [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:13:46 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping and people don't mix  
And stop all trapping of wildlife please

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Vicky Oreilly  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Renee Lauzon ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:13:09 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is inhumane and totally unnecessary and I strongly oppose recreational and commercial trapping on public lands. Wildlife deserve protection and traps also pose a grave risk to humans, dogs, and unintended wildlife who may be passing through lands. We must be stewards of the land and wildlife who depend on it to survive.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Renee Lauzon  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joann Bethel ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:13:06 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joann Bethel  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Monica Steensma [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:12:30 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Animal traps that involve metal jaws snapping shut on the legs and other body parts of their prey are DESPICABLE instruments of prolonged torture, maiming, and an agonizing death for any animal, wild or domestic captured by this vile, vastly inhumane devices!!!!!! The fact that humans are perfectly willing to inflict such pain and suffering on defenseless, harmless animals, and the occasional human child or adult who blunders into one of these, is a galactic level indictment of the VAST capacity for savagery and endless cruelty inherent in our bloodthirsty species!!! These dreadful, hateful, and barbaric beyond words torture instruments MUST BE BANNED NOW!!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Monica Steensma  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carolyn Kelly [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:11:31 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Kelly  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Barbara Basler [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:10:08 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

The land belongs to the public and wildlife. Stop the tiny minority of trappers from endangering people and valued wildlife. Enough!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Barbara Basler  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Maria Aragon [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:09:04 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Aside from the genuine need for our wild animals to be left in peace upon our public lands, traps are dangerous for domestic animals. Frankly, if one of my dogs was hurt or killed by a trap, I would sue the trapper.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Maria Aragon  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Denise Chavez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:09:00 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Denise Chavez  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jennifer Koval [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:07:58 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Koval  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Robert Gaines ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:07:31 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I'm a hunter and backpacker. Obviously I don't object to shooting and killing animals quickly, but I do object to killing them slowly. When I was 12 or 13 and wounded a jack rabbit, I had to beat them to death with a rock because the adult who taught me to hunt wouldn't countenance wasting a shot. Watching an animal die slowly horrified me then and does now.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Robert Gaines  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rebecca Harwood [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:07:11 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please stop this vicious activity. We should be better than that.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Harwood  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Phil Grossblatt [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:07:07 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It is cruel, and also dangerous to domestic animals and humans, and has no place in our public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Phil Grossblatt  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rosie Wright [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:06:36 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rosie Wright  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joni Lebens ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:06:30 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please stop trapping on our tax payer land. Inhumane to our beautiful wild life.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joni Lebens  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Judy Hartline ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:05:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps are often set and then forgotten about or rarely checked. This leaves the public at risk of accidentally stepping into one of these horrendous devices. Additionally, they are inhumane - doing nothing short of torturing the animals being ?hunted.? Please end the practice of allowing these unnecessary and dangerous traps on public lands.

Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Judy Hartline

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joyce Casey [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:04:00 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joyce Casey  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Diane Smith [REDACTED] You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:02:36 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Diane Smith  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Stefani Zirger ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:02:17 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

New Mexico is the land of enchantment not have the public mix in with with cruelty to Gods creatures. Land developing is running these creatures out of THEIR domains.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Stefani Zirger  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Heidi Smith ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:02:11 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Heidi Smith  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** K Kagel [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:02:09 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

This trapping is barbaric and inhuman. Vote for decency Ban ALL trapping-no creature suffering. Please vote from your heart - Ban AllTrapping Now!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

K Kagel

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Les Field [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:00:48 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Les Field  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** C Scott Bennett ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:00:35 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps, like poisons, can not tell the difference between the target animal and someone's beloved companion animal or a non targeted wild animal. I am an active hunter and fisherman but I don't support trapping.

Thank you,

C. Scott Bennett

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

C Scott Bennett

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Barry Weinstock ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:00:33 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I think the game commissioners should be trapped.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Barry Weinstock  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Eric Walkinshaw [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:00:07 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I served for 38 years w/ the National Park Service where our mission was to preserve and protect our park resources for current and future generations. Those resources include wildlife. Consequently, I oppose both commercial and recreational trapping.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Eric Walkinshaw  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** James De Lara ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:59:25 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

All trapping needs to be eliminated and stopped ASAP. The concerned parties need to fortify their property from any potential threats, not killing. And the old "this has been happening for decades, centuries" needs to be retired. Times change and so do ways of doing things. Do the right thing.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

James De Lara  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Terry Hancock [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:58:59 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

We are hundreds of thousands of years beyond needing to kill any of the wild animals. It is only a most base message from the brain that causes us to "hunt". It is time to ignore that message and evolve.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Terry Hancock  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** June Parsons [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:58:42 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I grew up in eastern Colorado along the South Platte River, and have witnessed firsthand how cruel trapping is, because it is not quick and painless, it is completely unnecessary unimaginable suffering. Trapping has no place on public lands. JP

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

June Parsons  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Gary Holcomb [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:58:35 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gary Holcomb  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Charlotte Taft [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:57:56 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please Please!! No trapping ever!! Cruel and so unnecessary!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Taft  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Audrey Marie Urbano [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:57:41 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Audrey Marie Urbano  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Lisa Tyler ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:57:14 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping animals for sport is cruel, and I don't want it happening on MY public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Lisa Tyler  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ronald Christ [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:57:08 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ronald Christ  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Priscilla Martinez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:56:36 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Priscilla Martinez  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jorgen Hog [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:56:04 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping on public land is an unnecessary risk to people and endangered wildlife.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jorgen Hog  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** James Lewis ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:55:20 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

James Lewis  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Gary Kology [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:54:44 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

The need for trapping has diminished to the point that only a handful do it., yet the killing and maiming of animals continues.

I belong to a SAR in NM, the careless and sometimes illegal of setting of traps poses a danger to my highly trained search dog. SAR dogs have been injured by traps!!!

I think it's about time that NM joined the rest of the 21st Century and banned all trapping.

Thank you

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gary Kology  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Nathan Nielsen [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:54:33 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Nathan Nielsen  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Paloma Sena ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:54:16 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I urge you in the strongest possible terms to prohibit trapping of endangered animals by irresponsible, heartless poachers. Not only will these beautiful animals suffer needlessly, someone merely taking a walk with their dog in the mountains could find themselves with a horrifically injured dog because of someone else's greed and selfishness. It is frankly appalling to me that such a proposal is even being considered when in reality animal protections should be increased, not rolled back.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Paloma Sena  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jo Ann Hakola [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:53:46 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Stop infringing on the wilderness areas. Don't drive all the animal extinct.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jo Ann Hakola  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Virginia Mccoy ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:53:46 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I have been a resident of New Mexico for 26 years. I live in Mimbres on the edge of the Gila Wilderness and Aldo Leopoldo wilderness. I moved here for access to the wilderness, for camping, hiking and just enjoying. I have seen the effects of trapping and they are brutal, horrific, cruel and no longer necessary . It needs to stop. let us begin to treat our animal kingdom with respect and awe! Stop this unacceptable practice.??

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Virginia Mccoy  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Peter Kinney [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:53:18 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Peter Kinney

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Dianne Stromberg ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:53:13 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It is unacceptable to hurt other animals in this cruel way.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Dianne Stromberg

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** James Cooke ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:52:33 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

James Cooke

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** C. H. ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:52:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

This is cruel and dangerous for people and our pets as well as wildlife. NO on commercial and the unimaginable "recreational" trapping. How sick.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

C. H.  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Stephen [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:51:46 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

No traps on ANY public land...

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Stephen Gilbert  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** John Roig [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:51:43 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please help to stop the barbarity.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

John Roig  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Drew Reese ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:48:20 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Drew Reese  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Russell Milazzo [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:51:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Public lands are not the place for trapping of any sort. These lands are ostensibly havens for nature to be appreciated by the public, funded by public dollars. Prohibit these practices on our land that is under your trust!

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Russell Milazzo  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rebecca Stein [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:50:58 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Besides, it is barbaic, cruel and immoral!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Stein  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Theresa Hadden-Martinez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:50:56 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Theresa Hadden-Martinez  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Pieter Hull [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:48:52 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Pieter Hull  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Susan Thompson ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:16:57 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rules

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I am highly opposed to trapping animals and using animal fur.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Susan Thompson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Julie [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 06:19:18 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping on public lands

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Dear Game Commission,

I stepped on a leg hold trap last year when hiking on public lands in New Mexico. I didn't see it because it was buried. It was very powerful and felt like an explosion under my foot. Had I stepped an inch shorter it would have clamped down on my toes and caused damage. I reported it to NMDGF and the officer said it was legal. I could not believe it, it could have broken my toes. Trappers will say they are harmless, and maybe they are if you wear large heavy boots, but I felt the force and it was powerful.

After that incident I have been afraid to hike on public lands. When I do go out I study the ground before I step. It has made going out onto public lands much less enjoyable for me, in fact it is stressful. Not only because of the fear of getting injured by a trap, but also the fear of finding the carnage left by the trapper or an injured struggling animal caught in a trap. He had left a skinned coyote by the first trap which was horrid to see. Later in the winter I found a dead skinned bobcat, also left by a trapper.

I will not take kids hiking with me because of the fear of injury and carnage. I now dread November 1<sup>st</sup>, the day trapping for most fur bearers begins.

Trapping may be needed in some situations and done by NMDGF officers or biologists, but not for the general public. It is no longer necessary for survival as it might have been in the 1800s. and is in conflict with the majority of the rest of the recreating public and other public land users.

Sincerely,  
Julie Schwab, [REDACTED]

**From:** Zac Bigbee ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 10:40:42 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

There is still too little accountability in our rules for fur trapping and no way of knowing how much bycatch has been uselessly mutilated. Additionally, as a primarily rural state, it is imperative that we maintain our natural resources responsibly. Right now the proposed trapping rules do not go far enough to ensure responsible use of our states wild places. For this reason, all trapping should be subject to heavy fines until such a time as we have implemented an adequate system for protecting wildlife and ensuring accountability.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Zac Bigbee

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Patrick Colvin [REDACTED] You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 01:34:31 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment Opposing Trapping and the furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

My fellow New Mexicans, we must bring our state out of the dark ages when abuse and cruelty is allowed against wild animals. Please please don't allow trapping on public lands for recreation (mean cruelty!), ban these kind of traps altogether, AND please do everything you can to ban all trapping anywhere in New Mexico for commercial purposes. This is not what you allow people to make money off of, it is dangerous for humans and even more so for children.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patrick Colvin  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Diane Owens [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 09:00:22 AM  
**To:** R.Salazar@state.nm.us; Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; Sloane, Michael B., DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Consideration of stream access

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New Mexico Game Commission

Madam Chair and Madam Vice-Chair, Honorable Members, and Director,

I am writing with this public comment for which I ask your consideration.

The Silver City Daily Press article by Geoffrey Plant reporting on the Water and Natural Resources Committee's consideration of the stream access issue describes exchanges between Committee vice-chair McQueen and G&FD Director Sloane and lays bare the first two concerns below.

The Game Commission did not and does not have the statutory authority to determine navigability of New Mexico's streams and rivers.

The Game Commission's 2017 rule and approval of the five 2018 applications were issued in disregard of the New Mexico Supreme Court opinion in *State v Red River Valley Co.* 51 N.M. 207 that affirmed New Mexicans' constitutional right for public access to our streams and rivers. Navigability was not at issue. The Game Commission sued to protect public access to public waters and prevailed. Three New Mexico Attorneys General—Udall, King, and Balderas—have issued supporting opinions.

The Game Commission accepted without question or due process the outlandish claim by applicants' attorney Marco Gonzales that none of New Mexico's streams and rivers are navigable, meaning that in the eyes of the Game Commission's 2017 rule, all rivers that flow through private property can be privatized.

The Game Commission passed its rules and approved the five privatization applications without public outreach. I just learned of the rule after it had been approved. If the rule was legally approved, it certainly was not considered with public transparency or fairness. These process failures contributed to the Game Commission' rule and its approval of the five applications being fatally flawed. This is not good government.

As boaters and river runners, we accept limits and permits so that our public rivers do not get over-used. This is done fairly and publicly. Commercial interests get a share of limited user days. If private investment in fish habitat improves a stream so that it deserves special protection, the Game Commission can protect the fishery with fair limits on public use, implemented through a lottery or special permit access requirements.

Please extend the moratorium and do not consider the two additional applications pending before the Game Commission until you have given the flaws and fair alternatives described above your full and careful consideration, informed by full public participation opportunities.

Diane Owens  
[REDACTED]

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

**From:** Beverley Spears [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:13:41 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Cruel

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Hello fellow New Mexicans,

Trapping on our public lands in New Mexico should be made illegal as it has been in Arizona, Colorado and elsewhere. It is a shocking fact that with a \$20 license, anyone can set a steel-jawed trap on public lands and walk away without knowing what creature may be brutally injured or destroyed. There are no limits, and little oversight on this carnage, but even one animal so cruelly maimed or killed should be illegal. Please end this barbaric practice which causes extreme suffering.

Beverley Spears, FAIA

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:23:18 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Fwd: furbearer rule

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----- Original Message -----  
Subject: furbearer rule  
Date: Mon, 21 Oct 2019 10:19:16 -0600  
From: dsheft82@pvt.net  
To: dgf-furbearer-rules@state.nm.us

I would like to make the following comments regarding the proposed furbearer rule.

First, it is extremely difficult to comment on a draft rule when the rule is not provided and just some general summary comments are.

Setbacks regarding occupied dwellings, roadside rest areas, roadside picnic areas need to exempt landowners and their agents on private property.

Rule needs to allow landowners ability to designate agent to trap on private property regarding setbacks (does not currently do so).

Additional proposed closure areas in Sandias and Organs need to continue to allow use of cage and foot encapsulating (dog proof) traps.

I oppose proposal to allow Director to set one year bag limit. Populations can fluctuate due to disease and weather but just like small game, harvest intensity is self limiting based on population levels. We don't set annual bag limits on game bird or small game species every year due to annual fluctuations.

I oppose year round raccoon season of any type. Season should be concurrent with beaver and muskrat seasons and no pursuit season. Depredation issues need be handled just as Department says other species would be.

Summary wording regarding water set foothold size limits would cause limitation to not apply to 8" and 12" traps only those in "between".

Visual electronic check of land sets needs to be legal to fulfill agent requirement. This is 21st century and technology is available. Often used by State wildlife agencies now. Would allow for 24 hour monitoring.

Extend trap check requirement on lethal water sets (defined as submersion sets in BMPs) to every other calendar day.

Allow trapping on state wildlife management areas where appropriate to fulfill management needs.

Require bobcat pelts to be tagged by end of license year (March 31) Will eliminate potential poaching window of opportunity. Still gives 16 days after season to tag.

Department needs to request and have provision for reporting of unprotected furbearers (i.e. coyotes, skunks, opossums) to track harvest and determine any range expansion or occurrences on annual harvest report.

Department needs to determine extent of current and proposed closure areas in state. Significant areas are currently closed due to ownership of policy of managing agencies now plus Department restrictions. Basic information to properly evaluate impact of proposals.

Setbacks are contradictory in that Department rules allow for firearm discharge within 150 yards of occupied dwellings and no restrictions from picnic areas, rest areas, trails, trailheads, boat launch areas etc. This can be a real safety issue versus setting a legal trap. No logic.

David Heft

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Judith Havens [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:10:09 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] I am Vehemently OPPOSED to Capturing, Poisoning, Trapping PERIOD. This is NO LONGER NEEDED.

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Judith Havens

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lois Wark [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:27:59 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] I oppose animal trapping on public lands

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Traps and snares are cruel to wildlife as well as dangerous to hikers and domestic animals. They do not belong on our public lands. Please prohibit them.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Lois Wark  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Lawrence Benson ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:41:41 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Is Trapping "New Mexico True"

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is an archaic and exceptionally cruel way to kill an animal. Only a small number of greedy and often rule-breaking sadists do this for a living. Make these lazy animal abusers use a firearm if they want to humanely "harvest" wildlife for the pelts or control predators, while insuring not to victimize domestic pets.

The New Mexico Game Commission's stubborn support of trapping is a disgrace that might lead to many tourists boycotting the state if this practice was more widely publicized. .

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Lawrence Benson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** betsy walker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 08:15:33 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Iban trapping on public lands

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Hello Ms. Prukop-

Please ask yourself these questions and then reply to me:

Who do you actually work for?

The overall population of New Mexico residents?

Or a select few who resist change for their own personal benefit?

Please ban trapping on public lands **NOW**. Here are just some of the reasons why:

- Traps are cruel. Animals in traps may starve to death, succumb to exposure or dehydration, or even chew off their own limbs trying to escape.
- Traps are indiscriminate. They kill non-target animals including cats, dogs and imperiled species, including Mexican gray wolves. Countless New Mexico residents have lost beloved pets to indiscriminate traps.
- Trapping is counterproductive to sound science. Randomly killing coyotes, for example, disrupts their pack structure which can increase their populations and increase conflicts with humans and companion animals.
- Wild animals play an important ecological role in healthy ecosystems. Coyotes, for example, reduce rabbit and rodent populations, keep environments free of animal carcasses, and increase biodiversity.
- Trapping allows a tiny minority of the population to steal New Mexico's wildlife for personal profit. Wildlife belongs to ALL citizens—but for only \$20 a year (even less for youth), a trapper is allowed to kill as many animals as he or she wants for private gain

Thank you for your time and service. I look forward to your reply-

Betsy Walker  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Luke Houghton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 11:22:26 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF  
**Cc:** Luke Houghton <lhoughton@sportsmensalliance.org>  
**Subject:** [EXT] Letter of Opposition to Trapping Regulation Proposals  
**Attachments:** SA Letter of Opposition - NM- Trapping Rule.pdf

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To all:

Please see the attached letter of opposition on behalf of the Sportsmen's Alliance and its growing coalition, regarding the two trapping regulation proposals (Trapping and Furbearer Rule Proposal and the Bear and Cougar Rule Proposal) which was sent to the New Mexico Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham.

Regards,

Luke Houghton  
Associate Director of State Services



**From:** Barbara Kenney [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:47:12 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Make trapping off-limits on our public lands.

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

This cruel and all-too-common cruel and unusual mutilations from trapping on public lands must stop. We are called to be stewards of the earth and of God's creatures, so many of whom are endangered. A Native American maxim which I paraphrase contends that within each human being lives two wolves, one with the capacity for good and one with the capacity for evil. When asked who wins that contest of wills, the shaman says, "It depends upon which one you feed." Let us feed our capacity for good in our public policy and protect the furbearing creatures on our public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Barbara Kenney  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jennifer Bayley [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 04:08:33 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] My comments on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please stop ALL trapping on ALL public lands/waters. Traps should never be where the public is, and that means public lands.

It is not alright to trap foxes, bobcats, badgers, beavers, Mexican wolves, cougars bears, porcupines, birds, or other wildlife. Many are already threatened or endangered: there is no adequate justification for this. And what about children and domestic dogs and other pets? Please end this barbaric, primitive practice and make us proud as New Mexicans to enhance the lives of these wild species, not end them.

Thank you,  
Jennifer Bayley  
5312 Rosemont Ave NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87110

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Bayley  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** J. Brown [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:40:45 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] My opposition to the New Mexico trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

The risks posed by commercial and recreational trapping on public lands in New Mexico to people and their pets should be enough reason for prohibition of trapping. However, I personally find the most egregious aspect of commercial and recreational trapping is the abject cruelty to the targeted animals. Even if the rules are followed to the letter the impact on individual wild animals are undeniably cruel and inhumane.

There are rare, extenuating circumstances that might justify limited trapping. However, the existing rule and the proposed rule allow nearly indiscriminate trapping on public lands that drastically affects the people who aspire to enjoy their public lands, their pets, and, most often, wildlife. The justification for continuing to allow commercial and recreational trapping is difficult if not impossible to accept.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

J. Brown  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Chance Thedford [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 07:32:25 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Soules, David, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] NMTA

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To: New Mexico Game Commission

In lieu of the court dismissing the charges against Marty Sandoval for illegally trapping in Santa Cruz Lake Recreation area, myself and the NMTA Board of Directors would like to let you know our feelings on this.

We never have and never will condone illegal or unethical trapping. The ninety nine percent of legal trappers in New Mexico have suffered greatly because of the one percent of people who have no regard for ethics, laws or the well being of furbearers in our state. We are very disappointed in the dismissal of these charges and once again we are the ones to suffer. The NMTA strongly encourages the commission to direct the Department to aggressively pursue refiling charges and seek a successful prosecution of this case.

Below I have written our expectation of members, which is written on every membership form and is on our website.

Our motto " Promoting wise use of our natural resources " is on our banners.

"The NMTA expects its members to be: lawful, always following NM trapping statutes and rules; respectful/ thoughtful of other trappers, users, and landowners; and ever diligent in improving their equipment and techniques to ensure the ethical capture, treatment and/or dispatch of the animals they encounter on the trapline."

Chance Thedford  
President NMTA

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Lori Mitchell [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:35:47 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] No more trapping on public lands!

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I stand against all inhumane trapping of animals on public lands. Leg holds, neck holds, fur trapping, coyote killing, wolf trapping, etc. If it becomes necessary to move problem bears from campgrounds or neighborhoods, a live trap should be used.

Thank you,  
Lori Mitchell

Sincerely,  
Lori Mitchell

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rg Kinsey [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:05:17 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] NO MORE Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I implore the New Mexico Game Commission to ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state.

Animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer horrific painful injuries and death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food. This is absolutely unconscionable.

It is time to move forward and totally ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support for making this humane decision.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Daisy Kates [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 03:26:50 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] No trapping on public lands in NM

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Hello,

I hope you will consider public comments on this important issue. Trapping on public lands puts the public and their domestic animals at risk and is cruel and indiscriminate to wildlife.

Closing .5% of NM Public Lands to traps is not enough. And setbacks to ALL trails and roads need to be protected from traps.

I believe that there should be NO trapping allowed on NM Public Lands.

Thank you,

Daisy Kates

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Johanna Johanson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:28:29 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] No trapping should be allowed

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is inhumane and should be completely banned. The proposed rule falls woefully short of that. Other states have banned it - so why must New Mexico stand for this practice?

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Johanna Johanson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Marilyn Savitt-Kring [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 09:47:07 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] No trapping!!

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Besides killing animals, the next trap could be your child.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Savitt-Kring  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Tito Meyer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:11:40 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] NO traps and snares on public land

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Traps and snares are cruel and dangerous. Please completely outlaw them on our public land. The proposed changes are insufficient and in some ways worse. Please say no to snares and traps!

Thank you, Tito Meyer

**From:** shelly thedford [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:11:42 AM  
**To:** dfg-furbearer-rules@state.nm.us; Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Opposed Trapping Rule Changes

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Good Morning.

I was surprised to see that not one Game Commissioner was present at the meeting last night. How are we to express our concerns about the proposed rule changes to you all if you don't bother to show up. Here in Las Cruces or at the Roswell meeting. You took this responsibility on and should at least show for these scheduled meetings. My other concern is that the meeting in Farmington tonight has no public comment. Those people should have the right to be able to tell you their thoughts on the proposed rule changes. It is not right to not take the time to listen to your public on public matters that will effect their lives, their economic state and to listen to all the people these rule changes will effect. Trappers, Farmers and Ranchers alike. Across our intire state. To choose not to listen to them or bother to show for these public meetings, in my opinion is a poor decision on your part.

Now for my concerns on the rule changes.

I do understand that it is believed that rule changes are necessary for the Trapper to move forward and continue to trap. My irritation lies in the fact that when there is room to give it is always the Trappers who have to give. The 1/2 mile set back rule only make things difficult for the Trapper and easier for the non consumptive land user to do as they have always done, not follow the rules. Easier for them to not have their pets on leashes. They gain more land while we are shut out of public lands due to complete closures of property we pay to use. If they were able to mind their own business, leave trapping equipment alone and secure their pets we could leave things as they are. If they took responsibility for their action and were held accountable by the law and publicly, as the Trapper is expected to do, maybe the Trapper wouldn't be the ones always giving. We are always discriminated against by the public, and the media.

I also am against any bag limits being set. With exception to unexpected illness (scientifically identified) that threatens the existence of a protected species. There needs to be safe guards or side bars in place that these decisions are made with the advice and direction of one or more biologists with concrete evidence of such illness. Not made by 2 people at there own discretions. Regulated Trapping has a designated season therefore giving it bag limits so to speak. There are strategies in place to make educated counts on furbearer.

Thank you for your time.

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**From:** Don Pengelly [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:21:15 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Opposition to the Proposed Reduction to Lion Harvest Limits in Lion Zone K

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October 18, 2019

Donald Pengelly  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Joanna Prukop  
Chair  
New Mexico State Game Commissioners  
Po Box 25512  
Santa Fe, NM 87504

Re: Opposition to the Proposed Reduction to Lion Harvest Limits in Lion Zone K

Dear Commissioner Prukop,

Please accept this letter as my opposition to the Proposed Reduction to Lion Harvest Limits in Lion Zone K.

I have been a part of hunting parties that have hunted lions in this area starting in January 2013. Due to dry and dusty conditions, I find that this is one of least successful hunts that one can do in the United States of America. My average for getting a lion in the tree in this area is around eighteen days of hunting.

On January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2013 while tagging alone with two other people hunting lions, we were called by the local Game Warden to go out to Membres and try to help get a lion in the tree. Apparently NMFG was called by grandmother that witnessed a mountain lion walking around smelling the grass during lunch time where her grandkids had been playing just before she called them in for lunch. Our hunting party traveled to this residence and within fifteen minutes treed this lion and under the supervision of the Game Warden dispatched this lion. If this lion had not been seen by the grandmother and had not been treed, it probably would have attacked one of these grandkids just after lunch. Clearly this is a sign of an abundance of lions in this area. In June of 2008 a mountain lion killed and partially ate an adult male human being up by Pinos Altos. Clearly this is a sign of an abundance of lions in this area.

In 2017, while hunting lions on private property, I found an adult male lion that was dispatched by another adult male lion. During my hunts in this area we have found the remains of many cattle that were dispatched by lions. Also in 2017 a male lion killed three steers one night on the San Francisco River up north of Glenwood. On January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 I harvested a 153 pound male lion that had been making a living off cattle on a private ranch we hunt. Clearly these are signs of an abundance of lions in this area. I suspect that if the reduction in lion harvest limits is approved for this area, the ranchers will see an increase in cattle losses which will have a significant impact on their financial success. I also believe that 100% of the ranchers in this area would be opposed to the proposed reduction to the Lion Harvest Limits for this area.

Me and our group of hunters have hunted this area long enough to see that there are clear signs that the deer heard continues to be reduced by lions. An adult lion will consume roughly a deer a week. The proposed reduction in lion harvest limits will clearly increase the number of lions in this area and greatly increase the reduction in the deer heard population. In California where lions are protected, the deer heard has been decimated and as a result lion attacks on domestic livestock and human beings have increased. By reducing the lion harvest quota in Lion Zone K, I believe that you will see a significant increase in the reduction of the deer heard, an increase in lion depredation on cattle and quite possibly and increase in lion attacks on human beings. Is this a risk that the Game Commission is willing to take?

Any reduction in the Lion Harvest Limits in this area should be based on scientific studies and data which can only be accomplished by a detailed biological study conducted by game biologist of which has not been conducted in this area. Please do not reduce the lion harvest limits for Lion Zone K.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Pengelly

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**From:** Jennifer Edwards [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:42:42 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Opposition to trapping on public lands

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is a cruel and vile practice that has no place on lands supported with our tax dollars. Traps are a risk to people and dogs. Our wild places should be safe places for wildlife as their habitats are constantly encroached upon and reduced. I ask that this practice be outlawed on all public lands in New Mexico.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Edwards  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Becca Smith [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 08:02:24 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Please ban traps on New Mexico lands

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PLEASE take action against public land trapping. It is so inhumane, it is heartbreaking. Wild animals are important to the ecosystem, and they are worth more than their fur. Our state is better than this.

Thank you,

Becca Smith

**From:** Joanne Keefe [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 07:50:21 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please consider my opinion on the trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

This is a cruel practice that leads to unnecessary suffering and it sickens me. It is lazy and irresponsible.

Please vote to prohibit recreational and commercial trapping on all public lands.

Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joanne Keefe  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Bruce Hofkin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:13:21 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please do the right thing.

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Bruce Hofkin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Geoffrey Gorman [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:13:59 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please end trapping on my NM public lands

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I oppose the torture of any animal. Trapping is just this, torture. Imagine what these innocent creatures must go through when they find themselves caught in one of these devices. Panic. I do not like to picture this, yet I see the photos and am sickened. How can we still condone such medieval acts as passable in our current society? It is our job as humans to protect the earth and its creatures, not torture them.

Please make NM a trap free state, let us have something to be proud of!

I hike with my dogs on public lands. I fear that myself or one of the dogs will be caught in one of these traps.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Geoffrey Gorman  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Dianne Cress ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 09:17:13 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please no trapping on public lands ,at least!

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I feel that public land should not have any traps. One should be able to feel safe there.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Dianne Cress

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[REDACTED]

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**From:** Shannon Patrick [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 07:10:24 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please prohibit recreational and commercial trapping on all public lands.

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**Please prohibit recreational and commercial trapping** on all public lands. We've tried doing all the wrong things already -- and they don't work for anyone and are inhumane and cruel. Please, step up and try doing the RIGHT thing now!!!

Some of your proposals actually weaken current restrictions, such as increasing the trap check time for traps set underwater and allowing trapping all year long for raccoons and nutria. This is unacceptable!

That some limited areas such as the Sandia Mountains and Organ Mountains may become off limits to trapping is an acknowledgement that traps and the public don't mix. But no one on public land anywhere in our state should be subject to the harm and danger that hidden traps pose.

If these inadequate proposals stand, New Mexico will still allow unlimited killing of any "furbearing" species like foxes, bobcats and badgers, so trappers can make as much money as possible from the sale of their pelts. Wildlife species will still be caught by mistake, including endangered animals like the Mexican wolf. The by-catch of unintended species like javelina, cougars, bears, squirrels, porcupines and birds will still go unrecorded and uncounted. Trappers will still not be held liable if a canine companion is hurt as a result of being trapped or if a human is injured rescuing their dog. THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE!!!!

Thank you,  
Shannon Patrick  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Poki Piottin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:59:16 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit the Traping, Snaring and Poisoning of Wildlife

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I am an organic farmer in New Mexico.

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Poki Piottin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anne Aylor [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:37:04 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please prohibit trapping and snaring in New Mexico

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I strongly and respectfully ask that the trapping and snaring of animals on New Mexico Public Lands is something that needs to be stopped. I would ask you to prohibit the commercial and recreational trapping as it is cruel and indiscriminate. Our wildlife need and deserve protecting, not being killed and tortured in inhumane traps and snares. I would urge you to be in the vanguard of states to ban these horrible practises which kill and main wildlife, as well as domestic pets and humans. Yours respectfully

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Anne Aylor

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ann Roylance [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:40:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, a BARBARIC & INHUMANE PRACTICE

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,  
Ann Roylance

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Fred Eiland [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:09:48 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF

**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons! It's inhumane and I don't understand why the New Mexico Game Commission and Department of Fish and Wildlife allow it. It's opposed by the vast majority of New Mexicans and it needs to stop!

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

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Sincerely,  
Fred Eiland

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dolly Feather <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:02:27 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Dolly Feather

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Christine Mermier [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:03:53 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Christine Mermier

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** David Gerke <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:03:59 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
David Gerke

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Julian Spalding [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:07:05 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Julian Spalding

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** James De Lara <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:05:29 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
James De Lara

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Laura G <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:07:25 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Laura G  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Julie Sando [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:09:22 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Julie Sando

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Brenda Priddy [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:10:55 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Brenda Priddy

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Priscilla Martinez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:14:55 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Priscilla Martinez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jennifer Humbert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:15:56 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Jennifer Humbert

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elisabeth Anne Manning [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:12:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Elisabeth Anne Manning

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Liz Ashling [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:17:23 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Liz Ashling

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** John And Pj Liebson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:16:21 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
John And Pj Liebson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dawn Tirschel <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:18:01 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Dawn Tirschel

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Audra Kochansky <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:17:06 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Audra Kochansky

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mike Yetter [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:20:33 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Mike Yetter

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** David Zello [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:21:32 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
David Zello

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** L Newton <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:24:48 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Leghold traps, wire snares, and poison are torture devices that need to be banned and left in the last century. They also kill indiscriminately including protected animals and pets. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,  
L Newton

• [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Tiffany Nicol [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:28:13 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Tiffany Nicol

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sharon Hall [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:32:45 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Sharon Hall

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Romeo Rocha [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:32:52 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Romeo Rocha

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jill Rounds [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:36:32 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Jill Rounds

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Stephanie Fuchs [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:36:53 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Stephanie Fuchs

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Donna Kwilosz [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:39:03 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Donna Kwilosz

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gail Jane Schwartz <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:39:38 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Gail Jane Schwartz

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ken Barr [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:40:53 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Ken Barr

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Joan Meilleur [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:41:03 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Joan Meilleur

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Ehrlich [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:44:17 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Barbara Ehrlich

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Gilbert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:44:24 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Barbara Gilbert

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kathie Jarrett [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:46:31 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Kathie Jarrett

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mike Sharber [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:48:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Mike Sharber

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Randy Diner [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:52:54 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Randy Diner

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Scott Messick [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:53:45 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Scott Messick

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marguerite Wood [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:58:19 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Marguerite Wood

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marilyn Rose [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:58:31 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Marilyn Rose

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Uphoria Blackham <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:00:18 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Uphoria Blackham

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Cooperrider [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:00:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Carol Cooperrider

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Johna Foreman [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:01:25 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Johna Foreman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Victoria Linehan <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:01:41 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Victoria Linehan

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Bernd Deve <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:02:33 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Bernd Deve

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Liz Aicher <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:03:26 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food. Additionally, there are many people out in the wild areas of the state that do not stay on trails and are endangered by this antiquated practice.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Liz Aicher

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** William Groll <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:05:51 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
William Groll

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gay Block [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:07:04 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Gay Block

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Philip Ciaffa <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:07:46 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Philip Ciaffa

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Daniel Padilla [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:08:20 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Daniel Padilla

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Bruce Donnell <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:10:07 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Bruce Donnell

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Billie Dennis [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:10:47 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Billie Dennis

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jean Crawford [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:11:56 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Jean Crawford

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rebecca Lowndes [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:14:04 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Rebecca Lowndes

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Barry Smock [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:14:45 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Barry Smock

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Denise Holland <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:15:49 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Denise Holland

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jan Voorhees [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:16:46 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Jan Voorhees

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Roman Lopez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:19:37 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Roman Lopez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sandra Jackson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:20:31 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Sandra Jackson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Julie Valdez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:20:43 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Julie Valdez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Bartelt [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:20:59 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Carol Bartelt

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Thomasine Montoya [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:21:02 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Thomasine Montoya

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Loretta Shiver [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:25:51 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Loretta Shiver

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dennis Holland [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:26:04 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Dennis Holland

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Brita Sauer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:27:46 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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As a long-time resident of New Mexico, I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,  
Brita Sauer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mike Hasson [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:28:16 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Mike Hasson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gail Powell [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:28:31 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Gail Powell

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Kain <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:29:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Carol Kain

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Morgan Hibberd [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:29:44 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Morgan Hibberd

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Maureen Havey <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:33:50 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It's clear that some members of the NMGC staff cannot uphold meaningful changes, so eventually a total ban will happen, it's just a matter of time.

Hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Traps, snares and poisons must be banned statewide.

Sincerely,  
Maureen Havey

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Arifa Goodman [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:33:59 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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As a New Mexican who got trapped myself while releasing one of my two trapped dogs, I know how dangerous these traps are on our public lands. Every person with dogs who hikes, works or travels through our public lands can end the day with large vet and/or doctor bills, maimed pets, and a major disruption to one's well being and peace of mind out in our beautiful wild lands. The incident I described above happened nine years ago. I still have damaged fingers on my left hand. We, and our wildlife neighbors, certainly don't deserve these barbaric instruments of torture potentially lurking under every bush.

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Sincerely,  
Arifa Goodman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Donna Sinn [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:35:29 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Donna Sinn

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Karin Berger [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:35:33 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Karin Berger

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Danielle Sedillo-Cafferty [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:36:01 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Danielle Sedillo-Cafferty

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Edward LeBlanc [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:35:16 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Edward LeBlanc

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Michael Flood [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:37:25 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Michael Flood

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Kornbau [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:38:24 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Karen Kornbau

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Bobbie Watilo [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:40:36 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Bobbie Watilo

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary Orr [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:43:18 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Mary Orr

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ronald Groves [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:43:34 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Ronald Groves

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Basler <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:44:44 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Why is a tiny minority allowed to run roughshod over people and wildlife in our state? Stop this dangerous cruelty!

Sincerely,  
Barbara Basler

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan peirce <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:44:45 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Susan peirce

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Gerke [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:45:18 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Susan Gerke

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** DeWitt Henderson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:45:31 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
DeWitt Henderson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ellen Pinsky [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:46:34 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Ellen Pinsky

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nate Faust-Shucker [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:48:34 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Nate Faust-Shucker

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jessica Jakubanis [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:48:53 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Jessica Jakubanis

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lisa Humbert [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:49:46 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Lisa Humbert

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** GERARD VACHEZ [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:56:55 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
GERARD VACHEZ

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Phillip Delaplaine <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:56:44 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Phillip Delaplaine

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rebecca Shankland [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:59:07 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Rebecca Shankland

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Nakakihara [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:59:11 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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I can't believe this is still happening. This is cruel and indiscriminate. I urge you to stop the use of trapping and poisoning in the state of New Mexico.

Sincerely,  
Karen Nakakihara

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dyan Merick [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:59:45 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

California has banned the sale of fur. That's a good thing. Will soon happen here as well.

Sincerely,  
Dyan Merick

[REDACTED]

**From:** Landon Young [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:59:43 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Landon Young

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** April Woolley [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:59:51 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
April Woolley

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jeff Clark [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:03:04 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Jeff Clark

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Deanna Draudt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:05:15 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Deanna Draudt

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Templeton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:04:26 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Carol Templeton

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** John DeYoung <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:08:34 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
John DeYoung

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Marion [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:10:06 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Carol Marion

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** William Mader [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:10:10 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I used to be an avid hunter and I appreciate wildlife. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. This is extremely cruel and directly reflects on the quality and ethics of our society.

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Sincerely,  
William Mader

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Allyson Bennett-Martinez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:10:53 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Allyson Bennett-Martinez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Shari Hirst [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:12:11 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Trapping animals is inhuman - you wouldn't want it done to you. If we as human beings allow nature to balance itself, it will. When will humans learn that when we interfere with the balance of nature we cause problems.

Sincerely,  
Shari Hirst

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary C [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:13:57 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Mary C

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marilyn Patterson [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:14:55 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Marilyn Patterson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Arthur Alfreds [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:15:38 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Arthur Alfreds

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Judith Hetem <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:16:46 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I am heartbroken that in what is supposed to be a civilized country, torture of wild animals is allowed by law. PLEASE: I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,  
Judith Hetem

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Don Parsons <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:19:44 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Don Parsons

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dianne Strauss [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:21:07 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dianne Strauss

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Greta Miller [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:21:13 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Greta Miller

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Charlie Watkins <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:20:55 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Charlie Watkins

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pamela Bryant <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:23:33 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Pamela Bryant

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Wesley Leonard [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:24:45 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Wesley Leonard

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rebecca Rose [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:25:26 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Rebecca Rose

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Donna Roxey [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:27:20 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Donna Roxey

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Paula Krogdahl [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:28:42 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Paula Krogdahl

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Charlene Mcdermott [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:29:45 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Charlene Mcdermott

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Eric Smith [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:34:54 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps.

Nontarget animals like family dogs continue to suffer injuries and even death. I am very afraid that my dog will get caught during one of our hikes and I won't be able to remove him.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Eric Smith

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]



To whom it may concern at NMDGF:

I put the logo of NMDGF above my letter as a reminder of your mission, conserving wildlife for future generations. Trapping should not be part of this mission. Unlike chase hunting, trapping is indiscriminate killing, predominantly of predators such as fox and bobcat but also, critically, of threatened and endangered species and pet dogs. It is not conserving wildlife but denuding our public lands of fur bearers in an unscientific and inhumane way. Most of us are never fortunate enough to see a bobcat or fox on our public lands. We should be teaching our children to value the wildlife in our midst instead of indiscriminately trapping and killing. Since 69% of NM voters oppose traps or snares on our public lands, you should ban trapping/snaring simply because it is the people's will.

For a \$20 license, you offer indiscriminate terror on our public lands – not only to native wildlife but also to humans and the dogs we take hiking on our public lands. Last year about 2000 trapping licenses were sold. Therefore, for about \$40,000 we can retire this barbaric, brutal, hazardous “recreation.” Also, since these trappers sell each bobcat pelt for hundreds of dollars (often to overseas buyers), you can at the same time eliminate this tragic subsidy of private gain from our public lands. How many non-trappers visited these same public lands? Many, many more. Why should the thousands of other recreationists be held hostage by this torment? Please end trapping and snaring on our NM public lands now!

If you can't ban trapping on all NM public lands, you should drastically improve your proposal. Banning it in the Sandias is good. But also it should be banned in all wildernesses (such as the Manzano Mountain Wilderness and the Pecos) and all National Forests (including the Carson, Santa Fe, and Cibola National Forests) near large population centers in NM. I would suggest banning trapping within 200 miles of all NM cities larger than 5000 persons. Also trapping should be banned throughout all National Monuments, including the entire Organ Mountain – Desert Peaks National Monument and the Rio Grande Del Norte National Monument in northern NM.

Outside of these “trap free” zones, trap lines should be closely recorded and regulated. There needs to be more accountability of trapping deaths. And apparently from recent news stories, the existing fur bearer rules are not being enforced. Each trapped animal (native, human, companion animal) should be brought to a NMDFG office and fur intended for sale should be officially tagged before it can be sold.

Sincerely,

Eric Smith



**From:** R.A.L.West [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:37:52 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
R.A.L. West

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Patricia Foschi [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:43:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Patricia Foschi

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cynthia Gefvert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:44:15 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Trapping is very different from hunting. Hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger while trappers have no idea which animals will step into their traps. I regularly see stories in the paper about animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to being injured in these traps. Some even die because the trappers were not checking traps appropriately. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food. We must do better than this!

I believe it is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Cynthia Gefvert

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cirrelda Snider-Bryan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:45:48 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Cirrelda Snider-Bryan

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Donna Lombardi [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:47:21 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I strongly request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals, or people, will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days of pain without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward to ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Donna Lombardi

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Todd Monson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:45:33 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Todd Monson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** K R Garland PhD DD [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:49:46 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
krgphddd@innerconnections.us

**From:** Joyce Cousino [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:51:55 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Joyce Cousino

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** MG Harman [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:56:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
MG Harman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cheryl Scannell [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:57:57 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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As an avid user of New Mexico's public lands for recreation, I have no way of protecting myself or my dogs from encountering traps, because they could be anywhere. The benefits of a ban on leghold traps, wire snares and poisons far outweigh the benefits of continuing to allow the use of these devastating and indiscriminate tools in New Mexico by a very, very small constituency.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state, as you are considering. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Cheryl Scannell

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary Drabbs [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:58:25 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Mary Drabbs

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** LONDA FOWLER [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:00:20 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
LONDA FOWLER

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Charles Lara Leavitt [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:01:13 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Charles Lara Leavitt

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sue Herrmann [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:01:17 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Sue Herrmann

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Vicki Spanogle [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:01:24 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Vicki Spanogle

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Robin Foster [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:01:47 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I DEMAND that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps.

Nontarget animals like FAMILY DOGS and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even DEATH. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure HOURS OR DAYS without shelter, water or food. THAT'S TORTURE!!!

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. PLEASE move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons STATEWIDE knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Robin Foster

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Julie Joyce <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:02:15 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Julie Joyce

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** amy sollars [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:02:30 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
amy sollars

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Rebecca Taylor [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:02:54 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Rebecca Taylor

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Juliet Calabi [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:03:30 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Juliet Calabi

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kathryn Filemyr [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:06:15 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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I walk with my dog on our amazing public lands regularly. Please take action to ensure our safety by banning traps, snares, and poisons on all public lands.

Sincerely,  
Kathryn Filemyr

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Terri Ranken [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:05:16 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Terri Ranken

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kieran Boylan <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:07:04 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Kieran Boylan

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Margaret Hadderman [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:09:48 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Margaret Hadderman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Seychelle <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:10:19 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Barbara Seychelle

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Laurie Kenjar [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:13:49 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Laurie Kenjar

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Angela Werneke [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:16:38 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Angela Werneke

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Michael Robinson [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:17:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Michael Robinson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Navona Gallegos [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:19:34 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Navona Gallegos

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elizabeth DeCicco [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:21:50 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Elizabeth DeCicco

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Casey Citrin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:23:52 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I am writing to you today because I am tired of having this issue pushed to the side year after year as animals and pets are needlessly tortured and killed in our state. A complete overhaul of our trapping policy has been and continues to be my highest priority as a New Mexican voter. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,  
Casey Citrin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Laureen Zunner [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:21:08 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Laureen Zunner

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Charlotte Weiss [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:25:16 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Charlotte Weiss

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Christian Dollahon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:25:15 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Christian Dollahon

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Roger Finzel [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:25:53 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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I am an NRA member, certified instructor in 5 disciplines and tell you there is no positive comparison with trapping to any other activity regulated by the game commission. It is an archaic practice once justified for clothing, then fashion and now only for greed of the trappers. Stop it now.

Sincerely,  
Roger Finzel

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** tomás herndon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:27:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please don't cave into the lying, fascist, racist, terrorist, traitorous sexual predator Donald Trump and his partners in crime against humanity and the environment, Fox "News" (the propaganda arm of the fascist RethugliKKKan Party).

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Sincerely,  
tomás herndon

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lynn Helton [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:30:19 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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This is an issue that has been going on far too long - not only in this state, but others as well. It is cruel and unwarranted - out of place in today's day and time.

Sincerely,  
Lynn Helton

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Irene Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:32:44 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Irene Johnson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Erin Yarasheski [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:32:49 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Erin Yarasheski

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pat Button [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:30:08 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Pat Button

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Licini [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:34:32 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Please erase the black stain of traps, snares, poisons from our beautiful state. It's horrific that you still allow this and won't do anything about it! Do your job now. No more excuses.

Sincerely,  
Carol Licini

[REDACTED]

**From:** Sydney Davis [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:39:51 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I call for the New Mexico Game Commission to ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,  
Sydney Davis

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Chávez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:43:47 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Susan Chávez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marcia Mikulak <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:44:46 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Marcia Mikulak

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Juliette Cunico <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:45:11 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Juliette Cunico

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** CR Maddy [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:45:47 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
CR Maddy

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kathy Jackson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:45:56 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Kathy Jackson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sonja Stahlhut [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:51:13 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Sonja Stahlhut

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sue Conklin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:49:57 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Sue Conklin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Robert Fischhoff [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:51:06 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Let's join the civilized world and completely ban ALL trapping. The time for this barbaric and inhumane practice is long over.

Sincerely,  
Robert Fischhoff

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Maggie Burgess [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:53:17 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Maggie Burgess

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anissa Duwaik [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:55:15 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Anissa Duwaik

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** James Cooke [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:53:13 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
James Cooke

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jody Neal-Post <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:59:36 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Jody Neal-Post

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary D <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:05:09 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Mary D

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** PJ Mcdaniel [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:06:37 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
PJ Mcdaniel

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Brian Otto [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:06:51 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Brian Otto

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Deb H Cookingham [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:06:25 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Deb H Cookingham

[REDACTED]  
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**From:** James Lin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:09:17 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
James Lin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Irvonne Newman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:11:10 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Irvonne Newman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Hugh Roberts [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:11:24 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Hugh Roberts

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Adrienne Weiss [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:13:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Adrienne Weiss

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Hochmuth <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:13:39 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Barbara Hochmuth

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Harriett Clementson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:16:31 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Harriett Clementson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Cote [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:17:47 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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Sincerely,  
Susan Cote

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rebecca Vitale-Mandich [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:18:38 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Rebecca Vitale-Mandich

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Janet Rees [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:20:55 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I ask you to ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. The often lingering, painful deaths of creatures ensnared in these traps should nor be unaccepted in a civilized society. In addition, these traps often snare unintended victims. Trapped animals may go days without shelter, water or food. Family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to be injured and even die.

I was appalled some years back to encounter the phrase "recreational trapping." How can causing incredible suffering, sometimes prolonged, be considered a recreation?

Banning trapping in just half a percent of the state is not enough. Please do what is right and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Janet Rees

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Peg Borchardt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:24:10 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Peg Borchardt

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Peter Kray [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:26:52 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Seriously - I am sharing the note below because it encompasses my thoughts so well, but would like to add that we as a state are better than this, and do not need to encourage cruelty, lazy, careless hunting practices, as well as the collateral damage this type of hunting often inflicts on other wildlife, as well as our personal pets. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration regarding this completely outdated practice.

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Sincerely,  
Peter Kray

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kareyl Vattlestad [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:28:31 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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Sincerely,  
Kareyl Vattlestad

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sharon Franklet <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:28:23 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Sharon Franklet

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Tanya Jimenez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:33:03 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Tanya Jimenez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** James Costa [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:33:04 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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James Costa

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pat Hancock [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:36:54 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Pat Hancock

[REDACTED]

**From:** Cynthia Edney [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 03:01:01 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Cynthia Edney

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Linda Morgan [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:50:11 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Linda Morgan

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kester Oman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:50:07 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Kester Oman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kristal Kinzer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:49:45 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Kristal Kinzer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Reba Nafey [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:43:14 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Reba Nafey

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ron Faich [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:27:13 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Ron Faich

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Laraine Ferguson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:26:42 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Laraine Ferguson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Adrienne Ross [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:24:50 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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Sincerely,  
Adrienne Ross

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Buchanan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:16:48 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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Sincerely,  
Susan Buchanan

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:16:31 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Christopher Roybal

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Eleanor Wootten [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:09:00 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It is with a great deal of caring about how safe humans and animals are that I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger on the other hands trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even deathly being caught in these various devices to trap animals. Unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food. The latter is inhumane not to mention the danger involved.

To ban trapping in just half a percent of the state is not nearly enough. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Eleanor Wootten

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Katherine Wright [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:06:45 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Katherine Wright

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gail Clark [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:02:44 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Gail Clark

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** John Wilhelmsen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:58:18 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
John Wilhelmsen

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Diane Georgia [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:52:49 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Diane Georgia

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jeri Oliver [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:48:00 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Jeri Oliver

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Darry Dolan [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:38:27 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Darry Dolan

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Monica Archuleta [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:34:56 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Monica Archuleta

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jan Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:31:12 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Jan Johnson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Donald Smith [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:21:21 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Donald Smith

[REDACTED]

**From:** Roger Kulp [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:18:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Roger Kulp

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Neal Jones [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:13:04 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I am against indiscriminate killing of wildlife.

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Sincerely,  
Neal Jones

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Raymond Watt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:05:55 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Raymond Watt

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** I.Engle [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:05:01 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
I. Engle

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Bo Bergstrom [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:00:48 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Bo Bergstrom

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Diane Cook [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:00:01 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Shame. Shame. Shame. Support for trapping wildlife is a cruel, sordid policy that should be ended in New Mexico. Can people not be given training and learn skills to earn money in a more humane manner?

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons THROUGHOUT THE STATE. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Shame on the NM Department of Game and Fish for providing such weak leadership in promoting and protecting wildlife.

Sincerely,  
Diane Cook

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gloria Hacker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:50:36 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Gloria Hacker

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Catherine Parker <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:47:17 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Catherine Parker

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Debra Denker [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:46:32 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Debra Denker

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Stephen Badger <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:37:58 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Stephen Badger

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Linda Bolton [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:36:14 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Linda Bolton

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Maria Aragon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:35:43 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Maria Aragon

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elizabeth Dunham [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:23:08 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Dunham

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Virginia Bell-Pringle [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:19:55 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Virginia Bell-Pringle

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Caroline Hinkley [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:08:20 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Carolline Hinkley

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** sara sexton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:06:27 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
sara sexton

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lou Simpson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:06:28 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Lou Simpson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Connie Nowak [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:05:52 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Connie Nowak

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary Ann Shinnick [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:04:38 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Mary Ann Shinnick

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marjorie Ackerman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:01:47 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Marjorie Ackerman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Katie Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:56:10 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Katie Johnson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anna Brewer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:54:14 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Anna Brewer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary Brockett [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:53:33 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Mary Brockett

[REDACTED]

**From:** Peter Roche [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:43:17 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Peter Roche

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Maria Gabrielle <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:44:09 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Maria Gabrielle

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rosemary Busterna [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:41:47 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Rosemary Busterna

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Patti Bearpaw <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:38:26 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Patti Bearpaw

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lewis Sponar [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:37:47 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Lewis Sponar

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Julia Knight [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:37:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Julia Knight

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Heather Knight [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:33:07 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Heather Knight

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Allen Gaarden [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:29:55 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Allen Gaarden

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dr Terry Malone [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:29:42 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Dr Terry Malone

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** John Hogan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:28:26 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
John Hogan

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** John Tischhauser [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:23:27 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
John Tischhauser

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Alexandra Mirabal [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:21:02 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Alexandra Mirabal

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Richard Ballew [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:18:41 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Richard Ballew

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Tami Linder [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:15:58 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Tami Linder

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dee Blanco <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:15:03 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

In our neighborhood we have experienced at least 2 family dogs caught in traps. As a veterinarian for almost 40 years I know there is no reason whatsoever, not in the past, not now and not in the future to use traps for any sort of animal. NO REASON WHATSOEVER!

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Sincerely,  
Dee Blanco

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Neal Apple [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:13:56 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Neal Apple

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Robin Pascal [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:13:38 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Robin Pascal

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kris Harden [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:08:58 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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New Mexico has an incredibly important resource in its wildlife and wild places. This resource should not be squandered so that individuals can profit. Rather it should be used to promote our outdoor tourist economy. Our land and wildlife is completely unique. Our weather is incredible. Our whole state can benefit from tourism dollars spent because there are more and more individuals unwilling to spend money in towns and areas that allow such terrible practices as trapping, snaring and poisoning animals. This cruelty has got to stop. Modern behavioral science of animals has discovered that mammals share all of a human's primary and many of our secondary emotions. Wildlife is a part of our state's history and it is our responsibility to protect this resource as the important asset that it is.

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Sincerely,  
Kris Harden

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rosalia Triana [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:00:57 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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Sincerely,  
Rosalia Triana

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elizabeth Buchen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:55:08 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Buchen

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Laddie Mills [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:54:42 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping can not be supported by any rational arguement, it is prohibited under the original NAMWC, and it creates an unecessary and irresponsible public safety hazard on public lands!

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Sincerely,  
Laddie Mills

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Renate Rendon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:52:41 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Renate Rendon

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** john mcclure <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:45:51 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
john mcclure

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kay Sievers [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:46:42 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Kay Sievers

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Teresa Hammond [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:38:27 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Teresa Hammond

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carolyn Beaty <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:39:51 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Carolyn Beaty

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Allison Webstet [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 03:04:00 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Allison Webstet

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nancy Melin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 03:18:04 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Nancy Melin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kathy Vigil [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 03:27:45 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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Sincerely,  
Kathy Vigil

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Victoria Clemens [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 03:27:58 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Victoria Clemens

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Melissa Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 03:32:11 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Melissa Johnson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Laura Watchempino <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 03:35:50 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Laura Watchempino

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Charles R Shelly [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 03:43:03 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Charles R Shelly

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** MARILYN BLOCK [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:07:59 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
MARILYN BLOCK

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Russo [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:13:00 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Susan Russo

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Andrea Soeiro [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:15:01 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Andrea Soeiro

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dr.Jami D.L.Hart <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:16:24 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Dr.Jami D. L. Hart

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** JoAnn V.Bethel [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:24:04 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
JoAnn V. Bethel

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Maria Aragon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:24:19 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Maria Aragon

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Phyllis Golden [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:27:56 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Phyllis Golden

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Shirley McNall [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:28:02 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Shirley McNall

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Linda Schmidt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:44:52 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Linda Schmidt

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Deborah L.Hall [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:46:31 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Deborah L. Hall

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary Chartrain [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:47:36 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Mary Chartrain

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Kutz <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:57:26 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Susan Kutz

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Maurice MacKey [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 05:01:24 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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New Mexico is one of a few states that still allow traps and snares. Most states have outlawed this cruel and out of date behavior. We banned rooster fights, make this the next barbarous activity to be banned. It serves no good purpose.

Maurice Mackey

Sincerely,  
Maurice MacKey

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pat Jones [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 05:09:16 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Pat Jones

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kelley Weaver [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 05:09:39 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Kelley Weaver

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cathy Morrison [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 05:13:41 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Cathy Morrison

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** CATHERINE RADOVICH [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 05:36:19 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
CATHERINE RADOVICH

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Valerie Cranmer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:19:10 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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I retired to New Mexico to enjoy the outdoors and its wonderful, abundant wildlife. I do not want to have to worry about myself, my dogs or innocent wild animals being injured or slaughtered by any kind of trap or snare.

Sincerely,  
Valerie Cranmer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nancy E.Stone [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:29:09 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I have lost three household pets to poison and two more have been caught in leghold traps, and I only found them after hearing their pitiful howls of pain. The ranchers who set traps and poison are supposed to post their land yet they rarely do. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,  
Nancy E. Stone

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Roger Southward [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:29:59 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Roger Southward

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Valerie Burgelin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:30:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Valerie Burgelin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** joel lorimer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:37:27 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
joel lorimer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Holman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:42:31 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Susan Holman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rita Glasscock [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:01:50 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Rita Glasscock

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rhonda Berger [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:12:30 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Rhonda Berger

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Blaine Wimberly [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:18:48 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Blaine Wimberly

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Roslyn Pulitzer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:33:22 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Roslyn Pulitzer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jasmine Lyons [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:47:13 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Jasmine Lyons

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Evelyne Taylor [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:49:22 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Evelyne Taylor

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Phil Hollenbeck [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:52:27 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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It's 2019! Stop caving to psychopaths. If not, we'll know where you stand.

Sincerely,  
Phil Hollenbeck

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elisabeth Price [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:59:24 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Elisabeth Price

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rita Gugliotta <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:00:47 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Rita Gugliotta

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cheryl Byrd <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:07:10 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Cheryl Byrd

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kelly Wells <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:42:04 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Kelly Wells

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dean Jarosh [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:50:03 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Dean Jarosh

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elizabeth Trujillo [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:59:45 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Trujillo  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lynn Glasscock [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:04:02 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Lynn Glasscock

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Deborah Klaus [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:06:58 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Such cruelty is never acceptable. It is essential that you prohibit these inhumane practices.

Sincerely,  
Deborah Klaus

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Collette Morfin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:06:48 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Collette Morfin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** John Roberts [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:21:23 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
John Roberts

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sharon Mann [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:22:39 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Sharon Mann

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

**From:** Marcela Medina [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:26:12 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Marcela Medina

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** David Morrison <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:31:31 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
David Morrison

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elizabeth Morales [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:33:12 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Morales

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carmen Martinez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:56:15 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Carmen Martinez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Quick [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:21:49 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Carol Quick

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Allison Gentile [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:26:08 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

We need to acknowledge the raw cruelty we inflict on animals when we use traps, snares, and poisons. These sadistic practices aren't necessary. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,  
Allison Gentile

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Amanda Graham [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:28:32 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Amanda Graham

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ed Baker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:33:01 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Ed Baker

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bernard Cullen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:36:10 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Bernard Cullen

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Katherine Norman <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:59:46 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Katherine Norman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Stacy Sabol [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:15:21 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Stacy Sabol

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cloud King [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:32:07 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is inhumane and can't predict what will step into the trap. Even a human child can be caught and killed. These animals deserve better than they are getting from humans. Poison is reprehensible, unnecessary, and can kill anything that gets into it. It also makes any animals that eat it unfit to be eaten themselves, which is the only reason one should ever be killed in the first place.

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Sincerely,  
Cloud King

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Joyce Leavitt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:32:22 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Joyce Leavitt

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Thomas Talbot [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:51:31 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I seem to find myself with heavy time restraints, so I have realized I must utilize a message already written. Although I'm only able to write an introductory paragraph, I agree one hundred percent with what is stated below, and ask that the words be read and taken as if I'd written all of it myself.

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Sincerely,  
Thomas Talbot

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Alan Carson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 01:10:52 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Alan Carson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mickey V.Brussel [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 04:19:06 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Mickey V. Brussel

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Caroline Sévilla [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 04:52:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Caroline Sévilla

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Steven Rosenberg [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 05:38:38 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Steven Rosenberg

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dylan Shaw [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 05:46:25 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Dylan Shaw

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dawn Foster [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 05:48:16 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I am an avid outdoors woman who often uses public land to recreate. It seems only natural, that NM, with it's focus on outdoor recreation as an economic driver, should be trying to sustain it's wildlife populations for all, rather than for a minority.

As such, I am requesting that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Dawn Foster

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lisa Goldman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 07:10:24 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Lisa Goldman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Brigitte Coloos [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 07:38:21 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Brigitte Coloos

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Edmund McWilliams [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 08:03:10 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I live in a small plot of land surrounded on two sides by national forest. I chose this NM location because of my love for wilderness and its inhabitants. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,  
Edmund McWilliams

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pat Buls [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 08:33:15 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Pat Buls

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Cassandra Gaines [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 08:44:10 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Cassandra Gaines

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** John And Carolyn Wilson [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:35:51 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Just "because we have always done it this way" is not a good basis for making a decision about resources that we all share.

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Sincerely,  
John And Carolyn Wilson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sean Corbin [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:42:21 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Sean Corbin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Luciano Graniello [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:53:34 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Luciano Graniello

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sudeshna Ghosh [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 10:14:16 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Sudeshna Ghosh

■ [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Linda Bailly [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 10:19:45 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Linda Bailly

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Chad Hairston [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:11:06 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Chad Hairston

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** David Aldridge [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:18:43 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
David Aldridge

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Val Talento [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:31:10 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Val Talento

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** William Crafts <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:29:04 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
William Crafts

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dr.Malcolm Macapherson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:35:29 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I'm a scientist living in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Since retiring, I've become interested in ecology and the return of some of our native ecosystems to reasonable natural function.

I am against trapping.

When I was a kid in high school in Connecticut, I ran a trap line for several years to earn money. I trapped muskrats, but one day I caught a beaver. It was alive. Beavers were protected, so I ran home (about ½ a mile), got 2 heavy pliers, ran back and set the beaver free. So, I learned the hard way that trapping and snaring are extremely inhumane practices. I am ashamed of my high school trapping.

I now believe that animal trapping is unethical and immoral.

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Sincerely,  
Dr. Malcolm Macapherson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elisabeth Bechmann [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 01:09:11 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Elisabeth Bechmann

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Annaleah Brown [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 01:27:50 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Annaleah Brown

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Patricia Callaway [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 03:13:57 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Patricia Callaway

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Katherine Blagden [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 03:14:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Katherine Blagden

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lem Powers <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 03:16:25 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Lem Powers

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kate Kenner [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 03:28:39 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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-----Traps should never be used for any animal. The pain and suffering they feel is no less than any human would feel. to think otherwise is cruel, human centric, and entitled.. Just because it may be legal to use them does not mean it is right.-----

Sincerely,  
Kate Kenner

[REDACTED]

**From:** Michael Crews [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 03:30:13 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Michael Crews

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elke Eggers [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 04:03:43 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Elke Eggers

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Hodge Jones [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 04:53:55 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Hodge Jones

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Milstein [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 05:29:55 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Karen Milstein

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Charlotte Spencer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 06:34:41 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Charlotte Spencer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** LánéSaán Moonwalker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 08:31:35 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
LánéSaán Moonwalker

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Raleigh Koritz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:02:06 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Raleigh Koritz

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nan Sauer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:36:25 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Nan Sauer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Antoinette Gonzales [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:45:20 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Antoinette Gonzales

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** theo de wert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 10:57:59 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Maria Schneider [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 12:05:38 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Maria Schneider

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marc van de Waarsenburg [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 05:24:36 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Marc van de Waarsenburg

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Robbie Hacha [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 06:47:48 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Robbie Hacha

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary Bowlby <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:04:46 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Mary Bowlby

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jodi Igard [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:52:08 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Jodi Igard

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** John Wilks [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:56:11 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
John Wilks

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kathy Corbin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:16:04 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Kathy Corbin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Annette Ahlander [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:21:24 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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P. S.: I just sent a rather pointed response to your callous regard for Roxy, the dog caught in a snare in Espanola (she died), and her killer, the man who set the vile trap on our public land, being let go with barely a slap on the wrist, though New Mexico law clearly states that this is a prosecutorial offense deserving of full enforcement, including jail or prison time. How dare you. Read my response, and read it well. It doesn't make you look very good.

Sincerely,  
Annette Ahlander  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** judy devine [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:31:42 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
judy devine

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anne Montarou [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:34:05 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Anne Montarou

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Erika Wanenmacher [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:55:13 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Erika Wanenmacher

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol And Richard Martin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 10:09:11 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

As the US population increases it becomes more important to save the open spaces that are set aside. There must be predators to keep in check rats and mice. The unnecessary brutal and horrific death of animals is uncalled for. Trapping is totally for people who do not care about a life and have no feelings for family. Stop trapping - you have the power - there is too much suffering in this world.

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Sincerely,  
Carol And Richard Martin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jeffrey Hanus [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 11:42:14 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Jeffrey Hanus

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Brittany Buckingham [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 12:35:03 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Brittany Buckingham

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Teri Micco [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 01:02:16 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Teri Micco

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Caitlin Osepchuk [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 01:53:59 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Caitlin Osepchuk

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Maura Chazin <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 02:10:58 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Maura Chazin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Diane LaFrance [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 02:28:47 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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THIS OUTDATED, CRUEL AND INHUMANE PRACTICE SHOULD BE STOPPED.

Sincerely,  
Diane LaFrance

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elaine Rupert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 02:50:31 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Elaine Rupert

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Stephanie Hatfield [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:16:51 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Stephanie Hatfield

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Raphaël PONCE [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:17:37 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Raphaël PONCE

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nancy Bush [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:35:09 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Nancy Bush

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Denise Pokorny [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:16:18 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Denise Pokorny

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elizabeth Elk [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 06:15:40 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Elk

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Phyllis Wilcox [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 06:26:52 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Phyllis Wilcox

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Janice Murphey [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:20:02 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Janice Murphey

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** M.Anthony Cabral [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:23:18 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
M. Anthony Cabral

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Asmita Bhargava [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:20:22 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Asmita Bhargava

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Shelby Hallmark [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 12:31:52 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Shelby Hallmark

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Boehler [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 01:27:31 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Karen Boehler

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** paulo reeson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 04:52:16 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
paulo reeson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** sue magee [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 05:08:30 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
sue magee

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**From:** Andrew Lieuwen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 07:55:03 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Andrew Lieuwen

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Laurie Magill [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 07:57:09 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Laurie Magill

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** R.Alan Maurer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:06:05 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
R. Alan Maurer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Michael Crews [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:22:57 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Michael Crews

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Donna Koechner [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 02:29:59 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Donna Koechner

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Brittany Gutierrez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 02:44:24 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Brittany Gutierrez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Diane Bloom [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:21:12 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Urge serious rethinking and consequent action to re-examine the use of traps, snares and poisons. Suffering needs to be in the evaluations

Sincerely,  
Diane Bloom

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gary Cascio [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:27:24 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

It is time to put the past behind us. New Mexico no longer needs to allow this barbaric practice to continue. Please enact a statewide ban today!

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Sincerely,  
Gary Cascio

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Coy Maienza <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:12:09 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Coy Maienza

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** cathy pardee [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 01:19:11 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
cathy pardee

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Althea McLuckie [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:20:11 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Althea McLuckie

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** sara sexton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 03:46:16 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
sara sexton

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Therese And David Patton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 01:39:03 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Bio-diversity is vital to supporting human life. We are all connected. Inhumane practices are wrong for their cruelty but stupid for their impact on our own future. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,  
Therese And David Patton

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Edward Barengo [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 07:47:55 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Edward Barengo

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mindy Newby [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 12:53:50 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Mindy Newby

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Richard Spotts [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 10:47:57 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Richard Spotts

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lawry Sager [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 10:21:49 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Looking at the current roster of the New Mexico Game Commission one would think that some degree of biological and common sense considerations would enter into its decision making process. But that would not seem to be the case if the political appointees of the commission were swayed by the uninformed nineteenth century rhetoric we heard espoused by supporters of traps, snares, and poisons from the Roundhouse steps during the last legislative session. I am well aware that New Mexico is still a poor state and that it is often more than difficult to gain employment here, especially in the far flung rural villages; and that, yes, some people do manage to eke out, or supplement, their livings by trapping furbearers. But at what cost to the environmental dynamics that nature strives to maintain in the face of the "development" and sprawl that threatens virtually every biome within this state? (I do not consider the protection of at-large household pets to be a valid reason to allow the killing of natural predators: those losses are the responsibility of pet owners who, through ignorance or defiance, disregard laws, regulations and the dictates of common sense). Painting trappers as protectors of the environment simply doesn't work: this was made painfully obvious to me several years ago, when, living in the San Pedro Mountains of southern Santa Fe County, I came upon a (barely) live gray fox in a leg-hold trap. Although it had been six days since the last snowfall, there were no tracks other than my own anywhere in the vicinity; not the fox's, and certainly not the trappers..a week of needless pain, and a slow death. I still see it whenever I come upon an untended trap.

We still see livestock allowed to calve in unprotected areas of leased State and Federal lands, a condition that would seem to tempt any large predator, and one that could be addressed without the removal of any and all such predators by lethal means, one would think.

Even as the NMDGF still "enjoys" the reputation of being a "Hook and Bullet Club" there is a rather robust Conservation arm whose research should be included in proposals such as that concerning the continued use of leg-hold traps, snares, and poisons that persist in our environment (to continue killing). Game commission decisions are not infallible: it has taken decades to rebuild our deer herds after a doe hunt was allowed several decades ago; after a comprehensive survey of mountain lions found far fewer animals than had been expected, the Commission allowed the former high limits of killing to continue; and, more recently, while researchers in the field were noting a precipitous decline in Lesser Prairie-chicken numbers, the Commission proposed reopening a season on them (even in the absence of public demand). I urge this Commission to do away with the wanton, inhumane killing of our wildlife by means of archaic traps, snares and forever poisons.

Respectfully,

Sincerely,  
Lawry Sager

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Stephen Rose [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 10:07:57 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Stephen Rose

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Diane Paolazzi <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 03:43:50 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Diane Paolazzi

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Dona Upson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 10:45:03 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Dona Upson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gaetane Gonzales [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 09:19:57 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Gaetane Gonzales

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** emelie olson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 08:27:25 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is not an appropriate way to manage wild animals.

Thus, I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,  
emelie olson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jenny Lapetina [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 04:00:37 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Jenny Lapetina

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lana Green [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 03:11:15 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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I have taught ecology and been involved in environmental education for more than half of my lifetime. All of creation plays a vital part in the welfare and health of the whole. Stop assaulting a key player, wolves, in the proper balance of the health of New Mexico.

Sincerely,  
Lana Green

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Linda Fair <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 02:17:26 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Linda Fair

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Alice McClelland [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 01:27:17 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Alice McClelland

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Chris Pell [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 11:56:02 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Chris Pell

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mike Anderson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 08:47:13 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Mike Anderson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anne Montarou [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 05:09:16 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Anne Montarou

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pj Schuster [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 02:00:07 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

This is quite personal for me, as several years ago one of our newly adopted shelter dogs, a medium sized white terrier named Pearl, got caught in one of those neck traps. It was right in the middle of town (Ruidoso) with a low income housing complex very nearby where families have young children. If my husband hadn't been able to get to her immediately & somehow with brute force managed to get that airline cable noose loosened from around her throat; PEARL would have died-strangled to death. We would have been devastated.

No animal deserves to die in terror like that, it's gross & brutal, inhumane. I find it almost inconceivable that we are living in the 21st century & yet continue to allow this barbaric practice from a century & more ago continue. I find it to be sickening & disgusting. It needs to stop now.

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Sincerely,  
Phyllis J Schuster - Retired RN

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Pj Schuster  
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**From:** Cheryl Gilbert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 12:57:26 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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I've been wanting trapping to stop for a very long time!! It's disgusting & inhumane!! No one needs to trap in this day & age. In most cases it's a slow horrible way for an animal to die. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,  
Cheryl Gilbert

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**From:** Elizabeth Kerkmans [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:54:44 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Elizabeth Kerkmans

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**From:** Mariana Lukacova [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:20:35 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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Sincerely,  
Mariana Lukacova

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**From:** Dixie Parker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 06:00:14 PM  
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Dixie Parker

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**From:** Franziska Eber <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:08:50 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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Sincerely,  
Franziska Eber

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**From:** Ellen Barber [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:15:32 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares, and Poisons in NM

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I urge the New Mexico Game Commission to BAN leghold traps, wire snares, and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure what animals will step into their traps. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapping leaves animals to endure excruciating hours or days without shelter, water, or food.

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Sincerely,  
Ellen Barber

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**From:** Cynthia McNamara [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:45:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares, and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Cynthia McNamara

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**From:** Kathy Imislund-Clarke [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 12:12:53 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please stop trapping on public lands!

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I treasure our public lands because of the wildlife they nurture. It seems ridiculous and cynical to me that the lands that we taxpayers financially support for common enjoyment of the wild are allowed to be used in ways, like trapping, that cause terrible pain and suffering to wildlife without any protection. As well, trapping on public lands is dangerous to people and domestic animals and you are NOT taking this danger into account. My enjoyment of public lands does not harm others--surely I have the right not be harmed by others. We are all members of the public, and allowing trapping gives some members of the public the right to harm their fellows, even if it's called an "accident." I STRONGLY oppose "recreational" and commercial trapping on public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Kathy Imislund-Clarke  
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**From:** Rebecca Procter [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 04:38:20 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please, NO More Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Rebecca Procter

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**From:** Bruce Madden <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:27:27 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons how

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It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. No one should be allowed to murder wildlife except legitimate hunters feeding their families. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Bruce Madden

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**From:** Kay Lockridge [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:11:21 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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As a concerned American and resident of New Mexico, I ask you to ban leg-hold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. These dangerous practices are inhumane and unnecessary.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Kay Lockridge  
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**From:** Carpenter, ScottX A <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 03:52:14 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; Sloane, Michael B., DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Public access to New Mexico's streams and rivers

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"Navigability is a red herring." The Game Commission's 2017 rule and approval of the five 2018 applications were issued in disregard of the New Mexico Supreme Court opinion in *State v Red River Valley Co.* 51 N.M. 207 that affirmed New Mexicans' constitutional right for public access to our streams and rivers. Navigability was not at issue. The Game Commission sued to protect public access to public waters and prevailed. Three New Mexico Attorneys General—Udall, King, and Balderas—have issued supporting opinions.

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As an active river runner averaging over 400 miles paddled each year, mostly in NM, I am also the current President of the Adobe Whitewater Club of New Mexico, the NM Deputy Director of the American Canoe Association, and an ACA level IV Whitewater kayak instructor. I know many reaches of the rivers in New Mexico and elsewhere and understand the true value of wild, free-flowing, accessible rivers. Fences and other private structures such as poorly designed bridges and irrigation head-gates pose a serious threat to the safety of paddlers recreating on public waters. And all waterways should be public. As boaters and river runners, we accept limits and permits so that our public rivers do not get over-used. This is done fairly and publicly. Commercial interests get a share of limited user days, still permitting them to charge exorbitant rates for private guided fishing trips. If private investment in fish habitat improves a stream so that it deserves special protection, the Game Commission can protect the fishery with fair limits on public use, implemented through a lottery or special permit access requirements, while still permitting these private investors to

Please extend the moratorium and do not consider the two additional applications pending before the Game Commission until you have given the flaws and fair alternatives described above your full and careful consideration, informed by full public participation opportunities.

Finally, I hope that the five applications already approved are rescinded and some tool of protection is passed to protect public waterways from any similar threats in the future.

Scott Carpenter  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Norm Gaume [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 03:02:18 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; Sloane, Michael B., DGF  
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Norm Gaume  
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**From:** Hattie Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 10:49:03 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Public Comment Period - SGC meeting 10/25

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Good Morning Chair Prukop,

I am planning on attending tomorrow's commission meeting along with some colleagues and had a few questions on how the process oral comments are organized. Is there a specific time of the morning identified for comments or will it just come after the first 6 agenda items? Additionally, if our comment doesn't directly apply to an agenda topic can we state that our comment is on "Other Business"? Lastly, is there an opportunity to leave written comments with the commission?

We are looking forward to joining the meeting tomorrow. Thank you.

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Hattie Johnson, PLA  
Southern Rockies Stewardship Director  
[AmericanWhitewater.org](http://AmericanWhitewater.org)

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**From:** Anna Br-An [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 02:47:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Sincerely: Anna Brewer, Tina Beurtels; John Summers; Henry T.; Vickey Osborn; Teddy Miller, New York; Amanda Fields; Jurgen Sorens; Rita Suffolk; Mary Dalton; Joseph Pritchard; Kimberley Fields; Simon Sears; Beverly Woods; Anita Brewer; Daniel Russel; Petra Stafford; Kim Wright; Daphne Harlington, New Mexico; Kathy Stafford, Joan Butterfield, Kenneth Lawson, Myrthe Low, Diane Bremer, US

**From:** Thesmophoros [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 05:37:12 AM  
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Maria Schneider

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Dr. Elisabeth Bechmann  
[REDACTED]

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**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:37:42 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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**From:** Tommy Baumgardner [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 11:49:17 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] rabies and trapping

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( Fact check google rabies 2018 for each state, Arizona, Colorado and New Mexico)

**Arizona: 160** cases with 29 human exposed

**Colorado: 325** cases ( confirmed human exposed ?)

**New Mexico: 9**

2,000 licensed trappers in New Mexico for 2018/19 season at \$20.00 per = \$40,000 not counting out of state licensed. Plus all stamps required. Most also purchase a small game license of which they must have for carrying a gun while trapping. This money goes a long ways towards our Game and fish department and habitat restoration.

**New Mexico Trappers Make a Difference.**

Thank You,

Thomas (Tommy) Baumgardner - born and raised in [REDACTED]

**From:** Andrea Sreiber [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 03:25:06 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Re. traps on public lands

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Dear members:

The Game Commission is considering minor changes to the trapping rule: they are inadequate. Another trapping season is looming in New Mexico after last year's saw at least two dogs killed, a handful of others injured, and untold thousands of native wildlife trapped and skinned for their fur!

Nearly 70% of New Mexicans oppose trapping entirely. While a public lands trapping ban (like Roxy's Law) is the best way to stop the cruelty and risk to public safety, our commissioners instead are entertaining an inadequate set of changes to the rule, including:

- Closing only 0.5% of New Mexico's public land to most traps.
- Increasing setbacks from trailheads, but not from trails or roads.
- Adopting a year-round season for raccoons and nutria.
- Increasing trap check times for underwater traps.
- Minor changes aren't going to fly.

New Mexicans want and deserve traps OFF of public lands.

Traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps. Trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.

Traps are cruel, they are indiscriminate, they are dangerous, and they are sapping our landscapes of native wildlife. For only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Please ban cruel and indiscriminate traps from all of New Mexico's public lands!

Sincerely,  
Andrea Sreiber  
[REDACTED] a



Virus-free. [www.avast.com](http://www.avast.com)

**From:** Larry [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 06:27:50 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Charlotte Lipson <lipson@zianet.com>  
**Subject:** [EXT] Re: Strengthen trapping rules

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I concur with Charlotte.

Larry Gioannini  
[REDACTED]  
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On Monday, October 21, 2019, 10:39:04 AM MDT, Charlotte Lipson [REDACTED] wrote:

Commissioners:

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Under present rules I understand that trappers are not liable if a family dog is hurt as a result of being trapped or if a human is injured rescuing their dog or a wild animal.

Charlotte Lipson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** susie rossmann [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 02:36:05 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Recreational and commercial trapping in NM

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Where to begin - this issue is heartbreaking. It's difficult to believe that a ludicrous \$20 fee allows a trapper to kill unlimited numbers of "protected furbearers" for 4-1/2 months of a year. How about increasing that fee to \$200? Are these same trappers paying their gross receipts tax when they sell the pelts? Are they required to buy insurance to pay for the medical care their traps incur on citizens and their dogs? Why are trappers not liable for the damage their traps are doing?

So there are no records of the true number of traps that are being set and their locations? It seems there is little if any management of this practice by the New Mexico Game Commission.

Trapping interferes with people's use of the public lands. Arizona and Colorado have banned trapping on public lands - and so should our state. ALL of New Mexico's public lands should be protected from this practice. The public should be guaranteed safe access to all public lands.

Wildlife is not a "resource" - wildlife does not need to be strangled or maimed until death to regulate populations of animals. Nature does that. It seems there is no pity of any kind for the uncounted non-"furbearers" that are destroyed or maimed by traps.

Trapping is a cowardly, lazy practice and needs to end in our beautiful state.

Seems to me that the Game and Fish Dept. should be protecting the game and fish, not assuring trappers that trapping will be protected. Let's move out of the dark ages in this respect.

**From:** grant gourley [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 11:36:05 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Regarding: Applications for Landowner Certification of Non-navigable Water Segments

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Dear Members of the New Mexico Game Commission,

As a river runner and outdoorsman, also member of Adobe Whitewater Club and American Whitewater, I am concerned about Certification of Non-Navigable Water Segments. The July 24, 2019 90 day moratorium on certification of said segments has expired, and no public documents from the New Mexico Attorney General's Office have been presented or reviewed regarding these certifications. I urge all of you to extend an indefinite moratorium on Certification of Non-Navigable Water Segments until a full legal review and public comment period can be obtained and analysed. From my perspective these certifications are fundamentally flawed. Two out of three of current certifications are held by wealthy owners with a Texas address. I recently obtained an Inspection of Public Records Act (IPRA) request and discovered that two applications have been submitted from Texans on two navigable streams, being again the Pecos River and Rio Chama. Below I copied links to hydrographs for Rio Chama and Pecos River each from April

1, 2019 to June 30, 2019. Note the cubic feet per second (cfs) during spring 2019 was over 2000 on Rio Chama and over 900 on Pecos River for the segments in question. The Pecos River USGS gauge is on or within 0.5 miles of River Bend Ranch, and the USGS Rio Chama gauge above Chama is upstream of the Canones Creek property application. Please note that the median cfs on both gauges during times on these hydrographs are floatable with a 14' raft.

[https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nm/nwis/uv/?ts\\_id=101108&format=img\\_default&site\\_no=08281400&begin\\_date=20190401&end\\_date=20190630](https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nm/nwis/uv/?ts_id=101108&format=img_default&site_no=08281400&begin_date=20190401&end_date=20190630)

[https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nm/nwis/uv/?ts\\_id=101314&format=img\\_default&site\\_no=08378500&begin\\_date=20190401&end\\_date=20190630](https://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nm/nwis/uv/?ts_id=101314&format=img_default&site_no=08378500&begin_date=20190401&end_date=20190630)

This Certification of Non-This Navigable Water Segments is in conflict with the New Mexico Supreme Court decision of State ex. rel. State Game Commission v. Red River Valley Co. 51 N.M. 207; 182 P.2d 421 (1945, 1946, & 1947). Furthermore, the United States Supreme Court decision in the Daniel Ball case determined, and has been consistently upheld that "a river is navigable in law if it is navigable in fact."

I will not be able to attend this Friday afternoon Game Commission meeting, as I am working in San Miguel County, New Mexico. Thank you for consideration.

Grant Gourley

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**From:** Dawn Duncan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:00:02 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] rules for trapping and snaring on public lands

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Dear Legislators,

Having finally moved to my favorite state in the US some 2 months ago, I am doing all I can to be a productive part of making New Mexico safe, healthy, and a happy place for all who reside here, human and other creatures as well. My husband and I, along with our 2 dogs, love to hike and explore our public areas. While we keep our dogs on leash, both they and the two of us might accidentally stumble into a trap or snare at any time. Additionally, even for creature for whom these contraptions are intended, the process of capture and kill is cruel and inhumane. It is one thing to hunt or fish and consume one's catch, but it is quite another to plant these snares and traps that can indiscriminately do horrific harm, sometimes over a torturous period to living creatures. It is beneath us as humans, especially in a state that has such an ancient connection to the land and its creatures, such a reverence for the wild. Please, as you consider these regulations, make it illegal to trap or snare on any public lands, for the sake of all of us who wander these lands.

Sincerely,

Dawn Duncan  
[REDACTED]

Dr. Dawn Duncan  
Narrative 4 – Master Practitioner  
Professor Emeritus of English, Film & Global Studies  
Concordia College-Moorhead, MN

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:11:20 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Cc:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Santa Cruz Lake Illegal Trapping Case Dismissal

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To New Mexico State Game Commission;

Dear Commission Chair Ms. Prukop;

I am writing to express my deep disappointment and anger over the mishandling of the illegal trapping case at Santa Cruz Lake this past winter by the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish.. The dropping of charges has already incited various organizations to publicly state they would again seek legislative action in 2021 to ban all public lands trapping thereby punishing law abiding outdoors women and men instead of criminal lawbreakers. Unfortunately this is all too common with wildlife violations in our state. I have worked with NMGF law enforcement since the 1970s and my experience is that only 5% of the cases referred by citizens end with a successful conviction. I would like the commission to look at possible ways to expand the number of officers and also upgrade training so cases aren't lost because of the failure to follow proper procedures. I am a licensed hunter, trapper, and fisher myself and have zero tolerance for poachers like this. I would hope the commission through the Director ensures that any appropriate personnel action is taken to reduce the probability of this happening again.

Thank you,

David L. Heft

**From:** Teresa Seamster [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 08:05:00 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Sierra Club support for RAWA Resolution  
**Attachments:** Prukop\_RAWA Support\_2019.pdf

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Dear Joanna,

Please accept our comments in support of a SGC Resolution to ask Congress to approve the Recovering America's Wildlife Act this year.

Many thanks,

Teresa

Teresa Seamster  
Northern New Mexico Group  
Rio Grande Chapter of Sierra Club

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**From:** Robert McCorkle [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 02:43:34 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF

**Subject:** [EXT] State trapping laws

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Surely the time has come for New Mexico to move into the 21st century where commercial and recreational trapping are concerned.

This isn't the 19th century and I can see no rational reason for the continuance of trapping of furbearing animals in the Land of Enchantment. Too many unintended species ends up losing their lives, some of them are species that we can't afford to lose.

As a retired 20-year veteran of the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department, I urge the commission to tighten restrictions related to trapping or do away with trapping in New Mexico altogether.

Thank you.

Robert McCorkle  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ross Lockridge [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:38:04 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stop allowing leg trapping, Poisoning, & Snareing

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I too am requesting that New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state.

Hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, but trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps.

Of course family dogs and Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and death.

Trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

Please ban traps, snares and poisons and do so statewide.

Sincerely,  
Ross Lockridge

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Shirley Montano [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:46:58 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stop Trapping on Public Lands

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I am a real person. I care about the Trapping rules in our state and every state as well. As for NM, I am asking that there be no trapping either recreational trapping or commercial trapping on public land. This land belongs to all, including the animals. The current proposal doesn't seem to have any limits on the trapping of forbearing species. Also, Many species would be in danger of "accidentally" getting trapped. Animals like the Mexican wolf. Trappers need to be held accountable if a dog or human is injured when encountering these traps. Please listen to us.

Sincerely,  
Ms. Montano

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Shirley Montano  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Mary Cord [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:43:58 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stop trapping on public lands

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

We must stop this inhumane practice.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mary Cord  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Jennifer Buntz [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 09:34:22 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stop trapping wild animals on public lands

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Trapping wild animals disrupts natural food webs, diminishes our wild and scenic places, and is completely unnecessary. Let species live; stop imposing our whims on the natural environment. Eliminate the risks to dogs and their people that these traps pose.

Thank you,  
Jennifer Buntz

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Buntz

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**From:** Lynn Moen [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:27:32 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stop using traps and snares

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

How simply horrible that traps and snares are used. It must stop. I see no reason for this cruelty. So few animals left anyway, why not protect them.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Lynn Moen  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Charlotte Lipson [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:37:28 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Strengthen trapping rules

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Commissioners:

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Charlotte Lipson  
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[REDACTED]

**From:** Sharon Smock [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 03:33:44 PM  
**To:** Charlotte Lipson [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Strengthen trapping rules

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Why do we encourage people to inhumanely kill wildlife on public lands! This has been going on for decades and has it really made the difference or do we just reinforce to our children that the End Justifies the Means? These animals die horrid deaths. THE WAY WILDLIFE SERVICES HAS CONTINUED THE SAME CONTROL METHODS OVER GENERATIONS IS JUST NOT THE RIGHT WAY TO DEAL WITH ANIMALS IN OUR COMMUNITY.

WHY NOT DEAL WITH PROBLEM ANIMALS SEPARATELY? WHY DO WE ALLOW BLANKET KILLING? PEOPLE GO OUT FOR SPORT AND SEARCH AND KILL THESE ANIMALS IN INHUMANE AND AWFULLY PAINFUL WAYS. THIS IS ARCHAIC AND NEEDS TO BE UPDATED TO MODERN STANDARDS ON HOW WE UNDERSTAND THE BIOLOGY, LIFECYCLE, AND NEEDS OF THESE ANIMALS AND UTILIZE A MUCH MORE HUMANE METHOD ON HOW TO DEAL WITH THEIR NUMBERS. THESE ANIMALS DESERVE OUR ATTENTION TO HUMANELY MANAGE THEIR NUMBERS. OUR COMMUNITY IS JUDGED BY HOW WE TREAT THOSE THAT ARE SUBJECTED TO OUR ACTIONS. THEY ARE PART OF OUR COMMUNITY AS WE ARE PART OF THEIR ECOSYSTEM.

THIS COMMISSION SHOULD KNOW BETTER TO SUCCUMB TO SPORTSMEN, THE NRA, THE CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION, THE SPORTING GOODS INDUSTRY AND ANY OTHER ASSOCIATION THAT GIVES A LICENSE IN ONE HAND AND A WEAPON IN ANOTHER TO DESTROY OUR PUBLIC LANDS AND WILDLIFE WITH POISONS, TRAPS, AND OTHER LETHAL WEAPONS. LACK OF RESPECT FOR ANIMALS BY NOT DEALING WITH OUR PROBLEMS IN A CONSTRUCTIVE WAY IS A PICTURE OF OUR SOCIETY, PASSING ON TO NEW GENERATIONS TO KEEP NATURE SEPARATE FROM PEOPLE, TO FIND THE EASY WAY TO EXTERMINATE, TO NOT AT LEAST TRY TO LIVE HARMONIOUSLY WITH THE OTHER ANIMALS THAT SHARE THE SAME HABITAT.

HUNTING IS A RESPECTABLE SPORT AND MOST RESPECTABLE HUNTERS WOULD CALL THE WAY THESE ANIMALS ARE 'CONTROLLED' AS MURDER.

PLEASE RECONSIDER.

SINCERELY,  
SHARON S SMOCK

Sent from my Skully's iPhone

How Animals Are Killed in New Mexico

\*Statistics taken from data provided by New Mexico Wildlife Services, 2010

KILLS	METHOD
8,515	Shooting
5,485	DRC-1339 (starlicide, a poison)
2,086	Aerial Hunting (shooting animals from a helicopter or airplane)
1,290	M44 (a device which when triggered releases sodium cyanide into the mouth of an animal)
1,107	Neck Snares (wire loops strategically set to tighten around an animal's body)
879	Decoy Traps
745	Cage Traps
545	Leghold Traps (traps in which animals are immobilized and die of exposure, starvation, etc.)
33	Spotlight Shooting (using a spotlight at night to locate animals, and then shooting them)
25	Handcaught
25	Drive/Corral Traps
7	Kill Traps (conibear body-grip traps placed underwater to capture and drown the animal)

- 7 Gas Cartridges
- 4 A/C Tablets
- 4 Snare Traps
- 1 Catch Pole
- 1 Gopher Traps
- 1 Culvert Trap

Sent from my Skully's iPhone

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Charlotte Lipson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Eileen Mandel [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:38:52 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stronger rules against trapping

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

The rules the agency is proposing do not even touch the surface. All trapping should be prohibited on public lands or at a minimum greatly lessened. Traps of all kinds are dangerous to people, domestic animals and protected species. I wonder who the agency is protecting. The agency is certainly not balancing the issues and appears to be in favor of the trappers many of whom are negligent and irresponsible. Eileen Mandel

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Eileen Mandel  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Susan Aragaki [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:25:48 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Teach humane treatment of animals for a civilized society

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Cruelty begets cruelty and is morally wrong.

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Susan Aragaki

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nancy Mory [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:50:11 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF

**Subject:** [EXT] These traps and snares are the most inhumane way of trapping an Innocent animal for fur. Please make it illegal to use these instruments of torture for the wild and domestic animals who are the unfortunates. Snares and Poisons must be made illegal.

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

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Sincerely,  
Nancy Mory

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Dylan Shaw [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 05:54:01 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Trap Free on Public Lands

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Hello,

Please know that close to 70% of New Mexicans oppose trapping on public lands.

Another trapping season is looming in New Mexico after last year's saw at least two dogs killed, a handful of others injured, and untold thousands of native wildlife trapped and skinned for their fur.

The set of changes are inadequate and trapping needs to be banned on public lands. Can you imagine being trapped underwater? The fact that this is legal is hard to believe and does not look this state look very good. After the turnout from anti-trapping supporters it's just a matter of time. The pro-trapping community continues to lose support from the public and this state will one day look back at trapping as a black eye similar to what cock fighting was.

Indiscriminately killing and inflicting suffering. This is trapping. Let's be on the right side of history.

Traps are cruel, they are indiscriminate, they are dangerous, and they are sapping our landscapes of native wildlife.

Thank you for your time

**From:** Tom Holley [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 08:54:38 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Trap Free public lands

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I am writing to express my concern about trapping on New Mexico public lands. Trapping is cruel and inhumane and it is disconcerting to me that it is still allowed at all, much less here in the Land of Enchantment. Please do what you can to stop this outdated practice in our state.

Sincerely,

Tom Holley, M.D.

**From:** Emily Wolf [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:53:01 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Our ecosystems are largely at the brink?not only from habitat loss, but relentless and cruel practices by those trappers exploiting rules, and loose regulations which result in endangered and protected species caught with no reporting required. I?m at the point where all I read about is the havoc and cruelty that humans are subjecting wild animals to. I?m saddened by it, and want to strongly voice my opposition to commercial and recreational trapping on public lands in NM. Thanks very much?

Emily Wolf  
7657488060

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Emily Wolf

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**From:** Elizabeth Wiseman [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:09:03 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Please, please understand . . . trapping is not only cruel to the wildlife that suffers for days in pain once trapped, but it is dangerous for people too. Please do the compassionate and responsible thing, and end trapping in New Mexico! Thank you for your time.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Wiseman  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Gordon Parker III [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:13:00 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping and snaring must cease.

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Spring trapping and snaring are barbaric and totally unacceptable activities. If there is some absolute necessity for removing certain animals- disease vectoring or extreme overpopulation, it must be done with properly designed and baited inexpensive cage traps with check times short enough to avoid damage to the animal. This will prevent cruelty, assure the correct animal is dealt with, and avoid damage/death to other species and avoid injury to humans. Dog fighting, poultry fighting and commercial and "recreational" trapping must all cease. They are all unacceptable activities for civilized and enlightened human animals. No species except humans treats another species in any comparable manner. We should behave at least as well as the beings we have been subjecting to this cruel and torturous behavior.

Sincerely,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gordon Parker III  
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**From:** Trish Meyer, [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 12:06:41 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping in New Mexico - Strongly Oppose

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Good morning,

I have been following the stories and editorials for the past few years about the laws that currently allow native animals to be killed in barbaric traps.

I make handmade books, and I was shopping at a store (RL Cox) in Albuquerque for leather scraps (from cows) for book covers.

I was there for less than an hour, and in that time I saw three different men walk in with wild animal pelts over their shoulders – I was so disgusted I could hardly look at what poor wild animal had been killed for profit. I daren't think what kind of suffering they went through.

Yes, I buy cow leather for crafts, but since I meat, I feel I am using all of the animal that is being killed for food and not contributing to their death. AND these animals have inspectors looking out for their humane treatment.

Trapping our native wild animals that belong to ALL of us – and in such CRUEL and HORRIBLE circumstances – so that a few trappers can make money just makes my blood boil.

*There is NO excuse for killing our native animals. Why are our New Mexican animals being killed so that someone in Eastern Europe can have a fur coat?*

**PLEASE see the madness in this and BAN TRAPPING NOW.**

thank you,

Trish Meyer  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Bob Clancy [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/14/2019 10:09:43 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping in New Mexico

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Dear Commissioner,

This email is to urge you to take the only civilized approach to trapping and using snares in new Mexico, and ban the practices completely.

Trapping has been shown to be a hazard to the public and 'non-target' species.

It kills wildlife which the public really enjoys having live in the area (I've seen this first hand in our area after a trapper moved in and started working the area).

Most of all, it's cruel, downright barbaric, and totally unnecessary. It has no place in a supposedly civilized society.

Thank you,  
Bob Clancy

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** randy summers [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 07:44:36 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping in NM

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traps and the public don't mix!

If these inadequate proposals stand, New Mexico will still allow unlimited killing of any "furbearing" species like foxes, bobcats and badgers, so trappers can make as much money as possible from the sale of their pelts. Wildlife species will still be caught by mistake, including endangered animals like the Mexican wolf. The by-catch of unintended species like javelina, cougars, bears, squirrels, porcupines and birds will still go unrecorded and uncounted. Trappers will still not be held liable if a canine companion is hurt as a result of being trapped or if a human is injured rescuing their dog.

Ban trapping

**From:** Barbara Lenssen [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 05:47:45 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping is totally cruel. Let's end this practice in New Mexico

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Barbara Lenssen  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Deborah Stark <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 06:29:44 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Legislation

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To whom it concerns;

Please ban all traps from our lands. The use of these primitive, cruel devices should be a thing from our history.

There is no need for them or necessary function in today's world.

They are only agents of cruelty and suffering for any and all that are caught, sadly including domestic animals.

We should be above using this archaic device.

Please make it illegal and ban their use!

Help us to step forward into the 21st century with greater compassion for other living creatures and the world we live in.

Sincerely,

Deborah Stark,

Santa Fe

d.stark

[REDACTED]  
[www.eulogytheextinctionproject.com](http://www.eulogytheextinctionproject.com)

**From:** Gloria L Hacker <[REDACTED]>

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 01:32:34 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping on Public lands

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Attn: Game Commissioners, I am concerned about the plight of wildlife & even our canine companions caught inadvertently in traps set out to capture fur bearing animals, such as bobcats, fox, & badgers. These traps set out to capture animals for the commercial fur industry also entrap & cause much pain, suffering & death to other creatures, some of them endangered, caught by mistake in these traps. These traps have no place anywhere on our public lands. I hope that as you review the rules governing commercial & recreational trapping you will rule in favor of wildlife protection & public safety. Thank You, Gloria L Hacker

**From:** Nikhil Kulkarni MD [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 02:24:33 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

This is incredibly cruel and harmful to all wildlife.

Thank you

Sincerely,  
Nikhil Kulkarni MD

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**From:** Lora Lisbon [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 02:31:28 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Why can't Game and Fish listen to the majority of New Mexicans and do as we want? Why is Game and Fish pandering to a minority of people (many of them not even from our state) when it comes to this issue? The days of needing to trap animals are over. This barbaric, old, practice is not necessary for fur or for livelihoods. Meanwhile, those of us with families, those with pets, those that live on the edge of the wilderness (my family and I live in the Mimbres and our property borders the Gila Wilderness), and those that just want to preserve our wildlife, or like animals, are ignored. The new measures proposed do not go anywhere near far enough. We want traps off our land. I've been writing about this since 2005 and always... nothing. I pay tax. My family pay tax. I have young members of my family that visit, I have dogs. We hike, we camp, we ride. What are we supposed to do? What more does it take? We have talked, reasoned, pleaded, voted, and petitioned you, our representatives, and our governor. What does it take to get through to Game and Fish that the majority of New Mexicans want a ban on trapping on private and public lands in our state? We want trappers—especially those from out-of-state—to cease exploiting our wildlife for the pittance our state receives. Please, please, please, ban this cruel, costly, and unnecessary practice immediately. Thanking you in advance.

Sincerely,  
Lora Lisbon

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**From:** Riva Seligmann [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 02:24:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. All animals are sentient beings and a part of our natural ecosystem that is desperate for continuity. We are all here to share as one, love and respect and honor all natural full long life processes. We truly do not have any right to mandate or authorize the trapping, suffering, or killing of any breathing creature. Please close your eyes and imagine the unnecessary pain and suffering you would feel if ensnared. We need to focus on compassion above all else. The beauty of our host planet, her inhabitants and resources that were from the beginning meant to naturally evolve are sacred, life giving and nurturing. Please do not manipulate this for individual or corporate "interest" by allowing any sort of human greed that puts profit before humane well being. I implore you. And for regulating in a way that protects all that is pure and natural and truly good, I thank you.

Sincerely,  
Riva Seligmann

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**From:** michelle taylor [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 02:24:32 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
michelle taylor

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marina Sagardua [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 02:24:49 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Marina Sagardua

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Arina Caster [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 02:24:38 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Trapping snares, just as cyanide bombs, are indiscriminate and barbaric and have no place on OUR public lands. They are unsportsmanlike and cruel. Please take a stand and ban all snares and traps.

Sincerely,  
Arina Caster

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Stephanie Pasanen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 02:24:35 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Please stop trapping and keep our communities safe.

Stephanie Pasanen

Sincerely,  
Stephanie Pasanen

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jo Ann Sullivan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 02:24:26 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. These are cruel, unnecessary and encourage violent, lethal behavior. Respect for all life is an inherent part of life sustaining civilization. Public lands should not countenance such behavior.

Sincerely,  
Jo Ann Sullivan

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cynthia Harrington [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 02:24:14 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Why does anyone need to be told this is a BARBARIC practice? I urge you to watch a video of an innocent animal being trapped in one of these torture devices and see if you're not moved? This has to end! Now!

As a New Mexican (human being), I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. If you have a soul you'll outlaw this

Sincerely,  
Cynthia Harrington

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gina Giaccardo [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 01:45:09 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As an enrolled member of San Felipe Pueblo, I'm writing to express my opposition to traps and snares anywhere in New Mexico. Trapping is a grotesque and exploitative practice, and must be completely banned ASAP.

We should be protecting our precious Indigenous animals. Trapping animals subjects them to prolonged pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, predation, dislocation, self-amputation, and emotional trauma. They are critically important sustainers of New Mexico ecosystems, and should always be respected as such.

Trappers are no better than animal killing contest participants. They treat New Mexico's animals as if they exist solely to satisfy their profits and bloodlust, and should be stopped from further destroying wildlife populations.

Please consider strong, decisive changes to trapping and "furbearer" laws. It's important for New Mexico to look toward the future, and take the lead on how our country protects wildlife and the environment.

Sincerely,  
Gina Giaccardo

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Chaney [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 01:34:58 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. These indiscriminate, barbaric relics of our past have no place in our state! They serve only a tony, tiny fraction of this state's populace while endangering unsuspecting citizens, pets and wildlife. PLEASE, let's evolve and ban this incredibly reckless activity!

Sincerely,  
Barbara Chaney

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**From:** Joyce Carter [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 01:35:49 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Joyce Carter

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jennifer Romans [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 01:34:48 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Romans

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marianne Futterschneider [REDACTED] e>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 01:09:47 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Marianne Futterschneider

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Angela Buckley [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 01:25:02 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Angela Buckley

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary Ellen Frye [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 01:26:47 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a concerned citizen I am writing you to express my vehement opposition to the use of traps and snares on public land. It is outrageous and it is cruel. Traps and snares present a risk to humans, pets and other unintended victims, as well as being heinously evil. No animal should be subjected to the use of these barbaric traps and snares. They should be banned from use.

Sincerely,  
Mary Ellen Frye

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kimberly Foster [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 01:22:03 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my outrage of traps and snares on public land.

These are PUBLIC lands, for all, including our precious and necessary wildlife. The danger and horrific suffering these medieval devices cause is inexcusable on every level. We are not only talking wildlife being in peril, but humans and pets. (And be assured, I place none over another). We are talking about sentient beings, except maybe those who see fit for inflicting great suffering. We should, and CAN, be better than this as a society. Stop this barbarism now.

Sincerely,  
Kimberly Foster

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Beau Borrero [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 01:23:59 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, avid outdoorsman, hunter, and fisherman, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. These are instruments of cruelty and are used by people who do not respect the outdoors, wilderness, or our wild animals. Please, as stewards of our wild animals, please ban these traps from our public lands. If people want to kill these animals, they should have to hunt them at least and kill them quickly and less painfully. Thanks for your work to protect our fellow earthlings,

Beau Borrero

Sincerely,  
Beau Borrero

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Bo Bergstrom [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 01:12:01 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Bo Bergstrom

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dr. Eugene Stone-Romero [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 01:11:36 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to the use of any and all traps and snares on public land.

Thanks for your support of defenseless creatures.

Dr. Eugene F. Stone-Romero  
Placitas, NM

Sincerely,  
Dr. Eugene Stone-Romero

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kathy Jackson <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 01:14:28 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

I'm not opposed to hunting as long as it's done without unnecessary trauma to the animal. Think about if you were in that situation.....would you like to experience a slow & painful death? Think about it.

Sincerely,  
Kathy Jackson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** J. David Scott [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 01:07:37 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,

J. David Scott

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Brianna Lewis [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 01:03:56 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

I know, and science proves, animals feel fear and pain. No human has the right to abuse, exploit or cause them to suffer and/or die simply because a person has the capacity to do so. Animal torture is Wrong. The fact that it is done does not make it right and traps and snares should be relegated to a bygone era.

My greatest hope is that the people of the State Game Commission and the Department of Game and Fish understand that animals have significant lives that should be protected from, not subjected to, the torture of traps and snares.

Sincerely,  
Brianna Lewis

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dawn Wriedt <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 12:52:57 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Dawn Wriedt

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Donald Helfrich [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 12:58:16 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. I teach Geography at CNM and have decided to let my students know that this is legal in New Mexico, though not in the surrounding states. We already share the bottom of the barrel with Mississippi. Why scrape some few dollars from out-of-state trappers when there is an Extinction crisis and a climate crisis at hand. It is very bad press for New Mexico and I'm shouting it loud and clear!

I was at the meeting last month in Santa Fe.

Sincerely,  
Donald Helfrich

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Roxana Moya <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 12:48:19 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,

Roxana Moya

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cynthia Simpson <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 12:45:50 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Cynthia Simpson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jennifer Peters [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 12:38:45 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Peters

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jane Collins [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 12:29:03 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Ban all trapping, snares and use of poisons. Prosecute trappers for wildlife cruelty.

Sincerely,  
Jane Collins

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Milstein [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 12:33:36 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Karen Milstein

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kaatje Adams [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 12:35:41 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Kaatje Adams

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Patricia Shackelford [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 12:29:19 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.  
Please stop use the TRAP and leave them ALONE !!

Sincerely,  
Patricia Shackelford

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cynthia Edney [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 12:20:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Cynthia Edney

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Julie Tumblety <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 12:28:00 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

I was a wing in heaven blue  
I soared over the ocean and  
Soared in the rain  
And I was free  
I needed nobody  
It was beautiful  
It was beautiful

I was a pawn  
Couldn't make a move  
Couldn't go nowhere  
Nowhere to go  
Yet I was free  
I needed nobody  
It was beautiful  
It was beautiful

And if there's one thing  
Could do for you  
You'd be a wing  
In heaven blue

I was a vision  
In another eye  
And I saw nothing  
No future at all  
Yet I was free  
I needed nobody  
It was beautiful  
It was beautiful

And if there's one thing  
Could do for you  
You'd be a wing  
In heaven blue

"Wing" by Patti Smith

Sincerely,  
Julie Tumblety

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Julie Huynh [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 12:18:49 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Julie Huynh

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sarah Baird [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 12:13:37 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Sarah Baird

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kari Edenfield [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 12:10:38 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

I formally request as your constituent and a native New Mexican that we do the right thing as a state and ban and eliminate traps and snares completely and entirely from all public lands. I'm sure you're already familiar with all of the reasons and justifications behind my request and that I am far from alone in wanting this for our state, so I'll keep this brief and respect your time. Thank you for your consideration and positive action and for taking my request to heart.

Sincerely,

Kari Edenfield

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sara Azimi [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:58:21 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

I'm horrified that this practice is legal on any land let alone on public lands! These traps are akin to land mines - indiscriminate killing. Its a shame that a state like New Mexico that places such high value on our wilderness and wildlife allows this.

Sincerely,  
Sara Azimi

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** barbara apgar [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 12:06:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a former New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. The traps are inhumane and are indiscriminate in their killing. Animals caught in the traps suffer beyond measure. I urge you to stop this proposed brutal trapping. The majority of people in New Mexico oppose what you are proposing. I grew up in NM and am very disappointed that the Game and Fish Dept has proposed such a barbaric killing.

B Apgar MD

Sincerely,  
barbara apgar

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jennifer Miller [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:51:23 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Miller

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Linda Allen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:39:55 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Linda Allen

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Erika Wanenmacher [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:38:05 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Erika Wanenmacher

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dax Riner [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:43:50 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps are cruel. Traps are indiscriminate. Traps are a public safety hazard. Trapping is a drain on native wildlife populations for private profit.

Evolve.

Animals > humans forever.

Sincerely,  
Dax Riner

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jessamy Rouson [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:43:43 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As an American, I am writing you to express my complete opposition to traps and snares on public land. This is a barbaric and brutally cruel practice which should have been outlawed decades before. Stop ALL trapping of animals NOW.

Sincerely,  
Jessamy Rouson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Paula Glaser [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:45:03 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Paula Glaser

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Theresa Bravo [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:44:39 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Theresa Bravo

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Wolf [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:34:30 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Karen Wolf

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gudrun Hoerig [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:47:10 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. The use of these barbaric traps and snares are way out of line and should be banned completely. It does not make sense whatsoever and is inhumane and cruel. How would you explain this action to your children and grandchildren??

Thank you for doing the right thing!

Sincerely,  
Gudrun Hoerig

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** M. Andrew Whiteman [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:38:05 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
M. Andrew Whiteman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Therese O'Gorman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:38:19 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Therese O'Gorman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anita Newman [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:27:45 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Anita Newman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** TERRILL PIERCE [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:34:42 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. It is an unconscionable practice at this point, endangering the lives of unsuspecting citizens and pets that may be near trails on public lands--not to mention the obvious cruelty inherent in the practice. Any arguable benefit from this practice is clearly outweighed by the foregoing. Please, please, stop this practice.

Sincerely,  
TERRILL PIERCE

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** nina zelevansky [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:34:45 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
nina zelevansky

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Vickey Baker [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:09:16 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

TRAPS ARE CRUEL AND BARBARIC AND REALLY HAVE NO PLACE IN LIFE TODAY. THEY CAUSE TOO MUCH PAIN AND ALSO OTHER ANIMALS GET IN THEM LIKE PET DOGS, CATS, BIRDS AND OTHER POOR ANIMALS THAT HAPPEN BY. I THINK THEY NEED TO BE OUTLAWED. BAN THEM!!!!!!!

Sincerely,  
Vickey Baker

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** C. Marie Hlushtchyk [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:21:48 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
C. Marie Hlushtchyk

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Tami Palacky [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:24:04 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Tami Palacky

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Schmidt <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:25:15 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As an AMERICAN, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. How dare you put cruel traps on public land where anyone and everyone could get hurt? And this goes for the wild animals that have made this their home. Traps are cruel, indiscriminate and unsafe. They should be banned everywhere, but especially on public lands. I know I am not from New Mexico, but that doesn't mean I won't be visiting.

Sincerely,  
Karen Schmidt

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anna Brewer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:17:54 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

None of the proposed changes by the Game & Fish Department would fundamentally change why a very large majority oppose traps and snares:

Traps are very cruel: trapped animals are subject to prolonged pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, predation, dislocation, self-amputation, and emotional trauma.

Traps are indiscriminate: Traps frequently maim and kill non-target animals and there are many such instances across the state. Traps can catch animals as small as chipmunks. In New Mexico, non-target animals that have been killed or maimed by leghold traps include black bears, Mexican gray wolves (over 40 incidents), owls, and mountain lions.

Traps are a public safety hazard: Along with non-target wildlife, leghold traps have injured and killed domestic dogs or cats in nearly every county in New Mexico.

Trapping is a drain on native wildlife populations for private profit: For only \$20 (\$9 for juniors), a trapper is given free rein to wreak havoc on native furbearer populations! There are no bag limits for furbearers in New Mexico and any trapper can kill as many animals as he wants—selling the pelts, depending on the species, for up to several hundred dollars each, profiting off the wildlife held in trust for all New Mexicans!

Please amend your proposed insufficient changes !

Sincerely,  
Anna Brewer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** George Neste [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:18:01 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
George Neste

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Renee Beltran [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:18:03 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

I grew up on a sheep and cattle ranch and saw trapping done with impunity and completely lacking in ethics, respect for life, or safety for innocent children or domestic pets.

Traps and snares are used in the interest of the elite few and at the expense of the vast majority, often without their knowledge or awareness.

This practice must stop and my voting will reflect my prioritization of this belief!

A very concerned and engaged voter and civic leader!

Sincerely,  
Renee Beltran

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lisa Neste [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:12:21 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Neste

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Robert Fischhoff [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:07:51 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a life-long New Mexican, I am writing you to express my total opposition to all traps and snares on public land.

We need to completely ban ALL trapping in the state of New Mexico, whether on private or public lands.

They are cruel, unnecessary, dangerous to the public, and completely destructive of our SHARED public natural resources.

Traps belong in an age long past when we were less civilized. There is absolutely no legitimate reason to continue this primitive and barbaric practice. Simply put it is immoral and inhumane and needs to end.

Sincerely,  
Robert Fischhoff

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** dagmar grabsch [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:58:53 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
dagmar grabsch

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Leigh Alston [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:59:33 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. They are infinitely CRUEL and barbaric. PLEASE stop allowing these traps to be used. PLEASE!

Sincerely,  
Leigh Alston

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Stacy Gilson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:58:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a Wisconsinite, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

There is no place in this world that needs to trap, torture and kill living breathing animals for fur. This is absolutely not needed on any level.

ANIMALS ARE NOT FASHION

Sincerely,  
Stacy Gilson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Eva Winogrodski [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 11:05:03 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Eva Winogrodski

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rose Saunders [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:52:16 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Rose Saunders

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Deborah Stark [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:49:02 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Such cruel practices should be a thing of the past! They have no place in an intelligent and thoughtful civilization .

Sincerely,  
Deborah Stark

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jan McCreary [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:45:29 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Trapping is cruel and barbaric and totally outdated. New Mexico should join states like California and Colorado that have outlawed trapping. It is time that we end this cruel practice that destroys our wildlife and degrades our ecosystems.

END trapping on New Mexico public lands!!

Sincerely,  
Jan McCreary

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Diana Corbishley [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:42:09 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Diana Corbishley

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rebecca Vitale Mandich [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:39:47 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Trapping is a cruel and unnecessary taking of wildlife. The animals are exposed to prolonged pain starvation and sometimes self amputation. I find this violence against the wild unconscionable in a day and age when we don't need fur for anything. We have warm clothing without hurting maiming and killing animals.

The wild are our ecosystem engineers and we cannot afford to deplete their populations anymore. Please show dignity and respect for those that can't raise their voices against the cruelty. I am raising mine to stop this archaic system of cruelty in our beautiful state of New Mexico

Thank you  
Rebecca Vitale Mandich

Sincerely,  
Rebecca Vitale Mandich

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** RR Mier [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:40:06 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a Future New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. There are so many instances of the wrong animals and people getting caught and injured with traps forgotten about or just left , at a time traps served a purpose but with so many people using public lands for the thrill of just seeing nature and the way it used to be before complete ecosystems were changed to benefit man and his quest for riches but today's public have different values but the laws on public lands haven't kept pace

Sincerely,  
RR Mier

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carrie Wright [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:42:55 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. It is cruel to trap any animal this way, sometimes left to suffer and die. People can step into it, people's pets. The list goes on.

Sincerely,  
Carrie Wright

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** kathy vigil [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:39:42 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
kathy vigil

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Norma Tarango <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:39:18 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Cruelty to animals, whether in the wild or domestically, should never be tolerated. Respect for all life is imperative, and our laws MUST reflect that.

Sincerely,  
Norma Tarango

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marcie Perskin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:38:20 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Marcie Perskin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Clara SoRelle [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:44:17 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Clara SoRelle

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Heather Cross [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:43:22 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Heather Cross

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marilyn Erickson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:44:35 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As Someone who spends half the year in NM I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. New Mexico's beauty & wildlife is diminished by the horror of this practice. I don't understand how anyone could be in favor of allowing it to continue.

Sincerely,  
Marilyn Erickson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pablo Bobe <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:37:49 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Pablo Bobe

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** alix novack <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:39:38 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
alix novack

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kellen Dunn <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:33:05 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Kellen Dunn

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Lestorti [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:35:42 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Barbara Lestorti

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Laurie Tabor [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:28:12 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As an American, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. End this cruel practice now!

Sincerely,  
Laurie Tabor

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kellen Dunn [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:32:50 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Kellen Dunn

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Judy Teich [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:27:55 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

I use this public land and so do my out of town visitors and I want to be free to use this land without worrying about traps and snares.

It is cruel and we are behind the times in continuing this practice.

Judy Teich

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Sincerely,  
Judy Teich

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Laura Ramirez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:29:09 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Please STOP using snares! It is cruel, inhumane, and absolutely NOT the answer!

As an evolved species, we should know that torture and cruelty is not what humans do to other humans or animals.

Please don't turn a blind eye to snares and eliminate the snares once and for all! And prosecute those who still use them.

Sincerely,  
Laura Ramirez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Becky Turnbull [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:30:03 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Becky Turnbull

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Amber Fuentes [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:27:44 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Are not cool.

Sincerely,  
Amber Fuentes

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gloria Carol [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:32:56 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Please ban this cruel practice. It kills non-target animals and depopulates wild animal populations just so private individuals can make a profit. They are dangerous to the other people and animals who use public lands.

Sincerely,  
Gloria Carol

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Janet Cameron [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:26:36 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Janet Cameron

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** BRICE MADHO [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:26:04 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
BRICE MADHO

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Christine Bergman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:03:34 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Christine Bergman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Martie Enfield [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:22:57 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Martie Enfield

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Timea Vida <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:23:09 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Timea Vida

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Desba Silvers [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:24:35 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Desba Silvers

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Robert Furem [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:17:12 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Sincerely,  
Robert Furem

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lisa Kunsch <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:24:03 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Kunsch

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jane Montonen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:21:11 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As an individual fighting animal cruelty and unnecessary suffering, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Jane Montonen

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lisa Mazzola [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:17:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a lifelong animal welfare and protection advocate and activist, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land--or anywhere.

I call for immediately changes to stop this SAVAGE CRUELTY. NONE of the proposed changes are sufficient.

Torture and savagery inflicted upon ANY nonhuman life for ANY reason by ignorant, ecologically useless human parasites is beyond unacceptable!

Sincerely,  
Lisa Mazzola

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nancy Arenas [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:19:14 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Nancy Arenas

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Ray [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:18:31 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Susan Ray

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Linda Anderson [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:22:44 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a former New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. This is a cruel way to obtain animals. We are slowly becoming a "fur free" society. Let New Mexico lead the way. Fur belongs only on the animals that wear it. Thank you

Sincerely,  
Linda Anderson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary Shabbott [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:09:26 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps are cruel: Trapped animals are subject to prolonged pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, predation, dislocation, self-amputation, and emotional trauma.

It is sadistic and should have already been banned.

Sincerely,

Mary Shabbott

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Shaw [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:08:55 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Susan Shaw

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Aristana Firethorne <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:59:59 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Aristana Firethorne

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** zoe viles [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:10:18 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
zoe viles

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kristen Balzer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:07:55 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

I have been an avid hiker for 13 years because of my two dogs.

The stress of hiking, which usually takes away stress, is because of New Mexico's archaic and cruel leg hold traps. As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Your weak language does nothing to prevent animals (including mine) from being trapped in such a grotesque manner.

Kristen Balzer  
Albuquerque NM

Sincerely,  
Kristen Balzer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Genny Genevich [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:10:11 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

HOW CAN YOU BE SO CRUEL TO SUCH INNOCENT ANIMALS?

Sincerely,  
Genny Genevich

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** robert basler [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:11:41 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
robert basler

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] -

**From:** Jane Carson <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:15:01 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Please ban these from all public land. The majority of landowners (citizens) agree that they do not have a place in today's world.

Sincerely,  
Jane Carson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nicolas Duon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:00:10 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Nicolas Duon

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Judith Hetem [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:58:15 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. As a civilized nation we have no need for inflicting such cruelty on animals for sport or profit. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Judith Hetem

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Camelia Mitu [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:56:31 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Camelia Mitu

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Seychelle [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:57:51 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Barbara Seychelle

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nicolas Duon [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:03:29 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Nicolas Duon

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Leslie Pfof [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:04:44 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Leslie Pfof

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nicolas Duon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:59:43 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Nicolas Duon

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jennifer La Torre [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:54:55 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer La Torre

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** LAURA ARIAS [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:47:46 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
LAURA ARIAS

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sandy Fishel [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:54:04 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Sandy Fishel

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lisa Page [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:52:02 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Page

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Shannon Patrick [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:51:47 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. These are cruel, unnecessary, and dangerous. Please do the right thing and be part of the solution instead of perpetuating the mistakes of the past. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Shannon Patrick

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Tiffany Nicol [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:47:15 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Tiffany Nicol

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dominic Libby [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:51:52 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Dominic Libby

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sandy Fishel [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:52:27 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Sandy Fishel

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mikal Deese <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:54:58 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. The Earth does not belong exclusively to humans. With every action we take that assumes that it does, we hasten our own extinction. Just say "NO" to this barbaric harvesting of wild creatures. Time to evolve, gentlemen.

Sincerely,  
Mikal Deese

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** KEN Bugler <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:52:35 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

While hiking in the Sange de Cristos I have seen unattended traps with dead wildlife rotting. Traps are left baited and unsupervised. This has allowed for undesired killings of various animals including pets.

Sincerely,  
KEN Bugler

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Audrey Petzold [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:49:08 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Not only do wild animals caught in traps suffer a cruel, inhumane, extended period of suffering for the desire of a small minority of trappers to make a profit out of this suffering but companion animals are also at risk of being caught in traps, seriously injured and possibly killed. Would you want your pet, your child, yourself to suffer this way? Please make trapping and the use of poisons to kill animals illegal everywhere in the state. Let's make New Mexico a leading state in something positive, i.e. compassion for all creatures, instead of the lead state in most things negative!

Sincerely,  
Audrey Petzold

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mark Bastian [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:46:46 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Mark Bastian

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Julia Thielert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:37:12 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Julia Thielert

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** william burgess [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:43:20 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Only a small minority supports trapping. It is cruel and unnecessary.

Sincerely,  
william burgess

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Walburga Lentner [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:42:06 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Traps are cruel and sadistic and have no place on our public lands.

Sincerely,  
Walburga Lentner

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cory Sites [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:35:54 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. No animal should have to suffer from this cruel entrapment and death. Please pass a law to ban animal traps in New Mexico!

Sincerely,  
Cory Sites

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Charlene Mcdermott [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:27:47 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Charlene Mcdermott

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Basler [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:36:26 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. These traps are approved of and benefit only a tiny minority. How about protecting the rest of us, our pets and New Mexico's wildlife?

The scales need to be weighted on the side of the public! And we do not want these cruel, dangerous traps!

Sincerely,  
Barbara Basler

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ronald Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:46:01 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a human being, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. In my opinion, only true cretins trap or ensnare animals. It is a cruel and inhumane activity.

Sincerely,  
Ronald Johnson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** BARBARA SWYDEN [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:28:24 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
BARBARA SWYDEN

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Lockwood [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:42:05 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Susan Lockwood

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Patsy Parentice [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:37:50 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Patsy Parentice

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Stacey Cooley [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:41:41 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Traps and snares are extremely cruel. I cannot imagine how an individual could possibly set a trap for an animal, knowing that if it doesn't kill the animal- they will be attempting to survive without a limb. If New Mexican are making their living off of this cruel practice, then it is high time for the State of New Mexico to engage themselves in workforce development and find alternate ways for them to make a living.

End Speciesism!

Thank you for your deep consideration in this disturbing matter.

Stacey Cooley  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Sincerely,  
Stacey Cooley

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** dawn kenyon [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:29:25 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
dawn kenyon

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dorothy DeLaine [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:32:57 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Please support laws that ban ALL private and commercial trapping on public lands NOW!

Sincerely,  
Dorothy DeLaine

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Julie Senack <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:27:32 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Julie Senack

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Terrie Williams [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:28:46 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Terrie Williams

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Shannon Flynn [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:26:09 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Shannon Flynn

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lisa Hackard <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:29:29 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Trapped animals are subject to prolonged pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, predation, dislocation, self-amputation, and emotional trauma. Many other species are at risk, including domestic animals as well.

Please protect our wildlife and others from these cruel traps.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Hackard

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Shanley [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:26:45 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

I'm a Coloradan but I support protecting wildlife and our environment from cruel and thoughtless ways of managing public land., I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Karen Shanley

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nicholas Finley [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:28:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. It is a cruel, outdated, and disgusting. Its appalling that anyone in the NMDFG would knowingly allow this to legally continue to occur in the state of New Mexico or anywhere for that matter. Please take appropriate action to outlaw all forms of trapping.

Thank you,  
Nick Finley

Sincerely,  
Nicholas Finley

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** katherine sanchez [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:28:24 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. I live next to public land and find it concerning that our domestic animals could fall into one of these traps or that our grand daughters could be injured. They are dangerous to the public and cruel to the wild animals.

Sincerely,  
katherine sanchez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** G. Simmons [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:29:38 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. This practice far exceeds cruel and should be all together illegal its just like scapling a human.

Sincerely,  
G. Simmons

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jacqueline Pereira [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:28:06 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. This is a cruel and barbaric practice Please do not allow this to continue.

Sincerely,  
Jacqueline Pereira

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** karen bayour <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:30:22 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
karen bayour

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** JC Corcoran [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:26:47 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. The vast majority of NM citizens oppose the use of these killing machines on public property.

Traps are cruel, indiscriminate, a public safety hazard and a drain on native wildlife populations for private profit.

Sincerely,  
JC Corcoran

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Janice Convery [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:28:36 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

None of the proposed changes would fundamentally change why most of us New Mexicans oppose traps and snares: They are cruel, indiscriminate, dangerous to the public, and exploitative of public natural resources.

The best way to deal with these issues is a ban on all private and commercial trapping on public lands. This is what polls show New Mexicans want! But Game & Fish's proposals don't even come anywhere close to that.

Please, do the right thing, and ban trapping on all public and private lands.

I thank you.

Sincerely,  
Janice Convery

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Denise Lytle [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:27:53 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a someone who does not live in New Mexico, but cares deeply about wildlife and animal welfare, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps are extremely cruel and can often trap unintended animals, like pet dogs...even humans! There is no good reason to allow such cruelty to continue.

Sincerely,  
Denise Lytle

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Rockwell <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:31:52 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Trapping is a cruel and barbaric practice that has no place in our world.

The vast majority of New Mexicans are opposed to trapping. Our wildlife belongs to all of us - and none of us. It's wrong that a tiny number of people can kill and profit from OUR wildlife.

Sincerely,  
Barbara Rockwell

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** William Swinney [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:29:53 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
William Swinney

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Alec Taratula [REDACTED] m>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:29:08 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Alec Taratula

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** James De Lara [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:26:03 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
James De Lara

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sabina Vitello [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:28:06 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Sabina Vitello

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dorothy Brown [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:32:36 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Please make more than mild changes, and make these regulations count. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Dorothy Brown

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Geri Sanders [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:27:34 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Geri Sanders

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Tim Duda [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:30:25 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Public land must be kept safe for people and animals. Traps and snares are cruel and inhumane and their use must be strictly regulated. Altering the plant/animal balance negatively impacts the eco-system. Individuals should not be allowed to trap on land supported and maintained through public coffers. The very minimal licensing fee is certainly no justification for upsetting the natural balance on public lands. Animal suffering for the profit of a few is an outrage that is why we need much stronger regulatory control and the complete discontinuation of trapping on public property.

Sincerely,  
Tim Duda

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sudeshna Ghosh [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:29:10 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Sudeshna Ghosh

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jessica Mraz <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:35:42 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Trapping wildlife is cruel, inhumane and dangerous for dogs. Too many dogs have died because of traps. We can be better and stop this barbaric practice.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,  
Jessica Mraz

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Lefler [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:28:36 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As an American, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Public lands belong to all of us. Trapping is cruel and has no place in today's world.

Sincerely,  
Susan Lefler

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** SUSAN DENIKE <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:27:55 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
SUSAN DENIKE

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anne Henry [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:34:20 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Anne Henry

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Laura West <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:26:38 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a human being, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Laura West

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mikki Aronoff [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:27:02 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Mikki Aronoff

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Judith W. Curtis <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:28:43 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Judith W. Curtis

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jana Hess [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:29:44 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Imagine if you were hiking and got your hand or foot caught in a trap. It is inhumane and needs to stop.

Sincerely,  
Jana Hess

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Victoria Linehan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:26:00 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Victoria Linehan

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Diane Eger [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:27:22 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Tourists come to New Mexico to photograph our wildlife. More tourist dollars are spend for this than trapping. It makes sense to be known as a state that protects its wildlife heritage. The cruelty and endangerment to children and pets must stop!

Sincerely,  
Diane Eger

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cynthia Hull [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:28:42 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Even when traps and snares catch their target animals, they are inhumane and cause suffering. Many times other animals, endangered species or pets, are caught in traps or snares. Too many traps and snares are used illegally. They just need to go completely.

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Cynthia Hull

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carolyn Kelly [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:30:07 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Carolyn Kelly

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jane Sanders [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:30:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Please take action on this subject. We have a duty to not subject any creature to unnecessary suffering, unnecessary pain, and unnecessary fear. It is shameful that we have been this complacent and we can do so much better. The animals are counting on you to make a difference. Please.

Sincerely,  
Jane Sanders

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Greg von Buchau [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:27:30 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. I visit NM yearly. I spend most of my time in the back country with my wife and dog. I worry about my dog finding a trap. Traps are cruel senseless. And against the laws of nature. Stop the use of traps and cyanide bombs NOW.

Sincerely,  
Greg von Buchau

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Googe <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:28:26 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Barbara Googe

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Deb Romero [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:30:32 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Deb Romero

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cynthia Lowry [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:28:52 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Cynthia Lowry

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Phyllis Sanchez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:27:09 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. It's Cruel. Inhumane. Make it stop!!

Sincerely,  
Phyllis Sanchez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Katy Stuckel [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:25:41 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Katy Stuckel

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Deborah Mackie <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 02:53:17 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Snares on public lands is barbaric, cruel, heartless, unnecessary. Stop this action.

Sincerely,  
Deborah Mackie

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Deborah Williamson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 11:19:06 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Trapping is a drain on native wildlife populations for private profit: For only \$20 (\$9 for juniors), a trapper is given free rein to wreak havoc on native furbearer populations. There are no bag limits for furbearers in New Mexico and any trapper can kill as many animals as he wants—selling the pelts, depending on the species, for up to several hundred dollars each, profiting off the wildlife held in trust for all New Mexicans.

Sincerely,  
Deborah Williamson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carmen Martinez <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 10:51:03 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Carmen Martinez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dwight Miller [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 10:34:54 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. I know first-hand how easily these traps can ensnare an innocent animal and the damage it can cause. This happened to me in December 2018 while hiking with my family along a recreational road on public land in Placitas. My dog, an intelligent cattle herding breed, was attracted to the carrion in a trap set just 12 feet from the public road we were using. His leg became caught in the trap, injuring him as well as myself when I released him from it. I immediately reported the incident to a Game Warden, who was already in the area to investigate a similar issue that another group had reported. I could not believe that a trap was improperly set so close to areas where people recreate and I worry what would have happened if a child had found the trap first. Public lands need to be safe places for people to recreate along with children and animals, and my experience has made me question whether public lands are safe, so as long as traps, snares, and poison are allowed on them.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,  
Dwight Miller

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Chris Miller [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 09:59:01 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Chris Miller

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Melissa Fagan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 09:53:37 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Melissa Fagan

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** David G. Laramie [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 08:44:22 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
David G. Laramie

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary McIntyre [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 08:10:32 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. To many non target species are at risk, and there are no kill limits. The wild life is disappearing and what we retain will be a precious resource in terms of tourist dollars.

Tourist development is a more constructive way of making money , and more profitable

Sincerely,  
Mary McIntyre

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** susan biggs <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 07:28:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
susan biggs

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sue Williams [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 07:02:54 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Sue Williams

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dawn Mason [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 05:56:33 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Dawn Mason

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pippa Scott <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 05:48:22 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Dear Commissioner Vesbach,

"Animal Protection, my foot!"

Shame on you! The pain you deliver, the agony, the despair and the suffering is shocking.

I am thoroughly against it. Not only in beautiful New Mexico bu all over the United States.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lee Rich.

Sincerely,  
Pippa Scott  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pippa Scott [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 05:43:11 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As an American, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. They are unbelievably cruel, painful and unsupportable. How can you indulge in such impossibly horrifying decision-making, on our behalf yet! Or at the very least for the citizens of the beautiful state of New Mexico which I have visited many, many times. Well, no longer, you can be sure. Its a totally disgusting rule and one that should be discontinued in every state of the union, not only New Mexico.

Thank you,  
Pippa Scott  
pippa@lindenproductions.com

Sincerely,  
Pippa Scott

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dylan Shaw [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 05:29:54 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. There is no scientific evidence for any type of trapping and it is incredibly cruel and inhumane. Please do the right thing for animals, New Mexicans and visitors of this state by removing trapping from our beautiful lands. Let's clear up this black eye. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Dylan Shaw

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Paulette Metzler [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 04:12:40 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Paulette Metzler

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Patricia Carlton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 04:11:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land, or anywhere. This barbaric cruelty has no place in the New Mexico landscape. Destroying our wildlife and putting our pets and even children at risk of terrible harm for the benefit of a few so-called trappers is unconscionable. Surely they can find a better way to make a living than engaging in medieval torture.

Sincerely,  
Patricia Carlton

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** C Scullin <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 03:32:46 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, TRAPS AND SNARES ON PUBLUC PAND ARE TO BE PROHIBITED!!! This is not a hard decision or one that takes any time to reach. JUST ENACT IT NOW!

Sincerely,  
C Scullin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dani Duran [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 03:20:41 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Dani Duran

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Teri Coker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 02:09:08 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Teri Coker

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** william crosby [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 02:04:56 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
william crosby

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mike Shields [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 01:50:18 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Mike Shields

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anne Desiderio [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 01:39:54 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Anne Desiderio

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ■

**From:** Jeanne Block [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 01:27:44 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing to you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. They are inhumane - animals are left to die in pain or to chew their own feet off. They are indiscriminate - they can trap and kill pets, as well as threatened and endangered species.

Public lands should not be used for "trappers" to earn a living, particularly in such an inhumane and cruel manner.

Please vote NO on ANY traps or snares on public land in New Mexico.

Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Jeanne Block

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cory Sisk [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 01:12:55 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Until allowing these barbaric practices are stopped, pets and wildlife will be tragically killed and maimed. In the 21st Century, there is no justification for using such archaic torture to address human/wildlife conflicts. It's time to modernize our approach in these matters, even in such a poor state as NM.

Sincerely,  
Cory Sisk

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** suzanne oliva [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 12:28:55 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. It is a cruel, inhumane, indiscriminate and outdated practice. I have been to the public meetings and have seen first hand that you dont care at all what wildlife experts, conservationists, hunters and 95 percent of the public think at all. It is puzzling to me why you continually vote to keep this practice going in the face of such opposition. What are you profiting from this?

Sincerely,  
suzanne oliva

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rakim Merrill <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 12:20:54 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Rakim Merrill

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ali Van Zee <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 11:38:51 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a frequent visitor to New Mexico, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Ali Van Zee

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Robert M and Carol G Reed [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 11:11:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Robert M and Carol G Reed

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lynne Miles [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 11:11:50 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Lynne Miles

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gudrun Dennis [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 11:05:05 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As an American, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Gudrun Dennis

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Moranda Meyer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 10:57:22 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

The cruelty of to both wild and domestic animals is abhorrent. Please do away with this form of torture once and for all.

Sincerely,  
Moranda Meyer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Linda Kastner [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 10:48:07 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

We no longer live in the days of the movie "The Revenant". I am so sick of hearing that certain practices need to be continued because of the cultural history. All over the world arcane and outdated practices are being called into question. Like slavery, female genital mutilation, child marriage, cock fighting, etc. It is time for New Mexico to evolve.

Is the CRS money collected from trappers really worth the loss of tourist dollars? The state with it's new position of recreation director and New Mexico True campaign is attempting to lure visitors to our state's public lands. Just wait till they see the horror of a trapped and suffering animal, or their children see it or their dog gets trapped and word gets out about what a backward and cruel state we actually are. Land of Enchantment my foot!

Then of course there is the power of the cattleman's lobby. Even though they may have a lease it is still public land. Are the cattle ranchers so uncreative and stuck in the past that they can't find other more modern ways to protect their herds?

Sure sounds like the Game and Fish Department is so married to these lobbies that they refuse to end trapping rather than listen to the citizens of New Mexico.

Sincerely,  
Linda Kastner

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jane Gowe [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 09:19:34 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Jane Gowe

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ivan Fuentes [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 08:37:30 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Ivan Fuentes

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** John Roig [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 07:56:06 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. They are barbaric and indiscriminate and completely indifferent. They represent the worst of the dominant species. Shame.

Sincerely,  
John Roig

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Margaret Frederici [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 07:39:31 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps are extremely cruel and a very outdated form of hunting.

Traps on public lands jeopardize all creatures domestic and wild.

Traps allowed on public lands reflect poorly on the people and states of New Mexico.

Trapping allowed on public lands only benefit a very small majority of the state's population.

Margaret Frederici

Sincerely,  
Margaret Frederici

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** molly myśliwiec <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 07:30:57 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
molly myśliwiec

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anne Montarou [REDACTED] —  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 02:13:27 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Anne Montarou

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Randy Diner [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 07:20:25 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Randy Diner

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Terrie Williams [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 07:25:03 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a concerned citizen, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps are cruel: Trapped animals are subject to prolonged pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, predation, dislocation, self-amputation, and emotional trauma. This bobcat found near La Jencia represents such suffering. It is not uncommon for leghold traps to be found with only a paw/foot left in them. The survival of these trap victims is questionable.

Traps are indiscriminate: Traps frequently maim and kill non-target animals and there are many such instances across the state. Traps can catch animals as small as chipmunks. In New Mexico, non-target animals that have been killed or maimed by leghold traps include black bears, Mexican gray wolves (over 40 incidents), owls, and mountain lions. One caller to Animal Protection of New Mexico's Cruelty Hotline reported finding and releasing an injured raven caught in a trap. Many other species are at risk, including domestic animals...

Traps are a public safety hazard: Along with non-target wildlife, leghold traps have injured and killed domestic dogs or cats in nearly every county in New Mexico. Last year at least two dogs (Roxy and Ranger) were killed by traps in the state and a handful more were injured (Kekoa was among multiple dogs that lost a leg). Data from reported incidents on public lands show that traps threaten all New Mexicans and their companion animals, not just those who recreate near populated areas of the state.

Trapping is a drain on native wildlife populations for private profit: For only \$20 (\$9 for juniors), a trapper is given free rein to wreak havoc on native furbearer populations. There are no bag limits for furbearers in New Mexico and any trapper can kill as many animals as he wants—selling the pelts, depending on the species, for up to several hundred dollars each, profiting off the wildlife held in trust for all New Mexicans.

Sincerely,  
Terrie Williams

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Christine Wiltshire [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 07:18:07 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Dear Humans Who Hold Responsibility for Wildlife

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

I know the cons list. You know the cons list. You have a lot of people to please. I will be trying to reach you on a different level.

What is not said enough is this: As humans who hold the top of the food chain, we must practice compassion and use safer, better technologies to feed our ever growing consumption of Mother Nature. Everything needs to be used with a heart of gratitude and a light touch. Humanity needs to open eyes and practice the best, most humane killing of creatures.

As an outdoor enthusiast, I also actually see too few creatures in our forests. We are blessed to have such unreal topography in our state. Let's do our best to nurture, preserve and be grateful.

Warmly,  
Christine Wiltshire

Sincerely,  
Christine Wiltshire  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cheryl Gibson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 07:09:50 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing to you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps and snares are categorically barbaric and dangerous. It is time for New Mexico to demonstrate that we respect our wildlife and that we are a civil and humane society.

Trapping and snaring should be banned. Please show respect and compassion for life.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,  
Cheryl Gibson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** christa romppanen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 07:07:37 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
christa romppanen

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Menczer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 07:03:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. I live in a rural part of New Mexico and far too often have encountered traps when hiking. Last year, a trap snapped on my dog's leg. Luckily, I was with a friend and we were able to get the trap off-if I had been hiking only with my dog, I can't imagine what would have happened-probably a leg amputation. This trap was just a few feet off trail. Besides my personal experience though, traps indiscriminately take wildlife and are dangerous for pets and children. It's time to stop this barbaric practice; times have changed, our ecosystems are changing, our wildlife is more and more at risk--banning all private and commercial trapping on public lands is one step to conserving New Mexico's wonderful wildlife heritage.

Sincerely,  
Karen Menczer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jenifer Taylor [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 06:49:11 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Jenifer Taylor

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 06:43:11 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Wellyem Guerra [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 06:38:18 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Wellyem Guerra

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Patricia Griffey [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 06:11:00 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Patricia Griffey

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Caroline Sévilla [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 05:49:37 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Caroline Sévilla

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nico Font [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 03:57:08 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Nico Font

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Joyce Alexander [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 03:32:39 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Joyce Alexander

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jan Repp [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 03:05:03 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Jan Repp

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rod Repp [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 03:03:45 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Rod Repp

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gail McIntyre [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 03:03:37 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Gail McIntyre

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Paul Troalic [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 02:48:58 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Paul Troalic

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mills O'Connor [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 02:23:11 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my extreme opposition to traps and snares on public land.

I view this practice as barbaric, inhumane, immoral and vile.

As a hard working tax payer I refuse to pay for this to occur under any circumstances.

Ban trapping outright!

Sincerely,

Mills O'Connor

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** James Trever [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 01:58:06 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
James Trever

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kathleen Ray [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 01:55:33 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Kathleen Ray

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ludmila Dmitriev-Odier [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 12:28:41 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Ludmila Dmitriev-Odier

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Connie Burris [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:51:17 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Connie Burris

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lori Workizer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:49:39 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

It is cruel. Animals suffer needlessly because of these traps. It is THEIR home that is being invaded by these horrible traps that should be a thing of the past. New Mexicans demand better for our state. Please be the voice animals need for their own safety and protection.

Sincerely,  
Lori Workizer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gail Larsen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:40:38 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. I ask you to take action to eliminate this cruel practice which is also a danger to pets and animals that are not targeted. Please put an end to private trapping on public lands to keep our communities safe.

Sincerely,  
gail Larsen

Sincerely,  
Gail Larsen

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Katie Robert [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:16:24 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Please make this happen for people, pets, and wildlife.

Sincerely,  
Katie Robert

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Chris Miller [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:18:53 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Stop this cruel practice .Please

Sincerely,  
Chris Miller

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Tanya Field [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 10:13:25 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Tanya Field

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ivan Fuentes [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:51:38 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Ivan Fuentes

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Felicia N Trujillo [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:26:22 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

This endangers hikers, children and our pets -- as well as causing wild animals to die in agony.

Sincerely,  
Felicia N Trujillo

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Julie Martin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 09:06:58 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Julie Martin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dirk Kortz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 08:56:44 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Dirk Kortz

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marilyn Hoff [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 08:53:11 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Please work to forbid this cruel practice.

Sincerely,  
Marilyn Hoff

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** cathy elizabeth levin [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 08:54:09 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
cathy elizabeth levin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Crystal Wolf [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 08:57:13 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Crystal Wolf

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Steve Melville [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 08:48:23 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Steve Melville

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Erica Melville [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 08:49:11 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Erica Melville

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Joke Melville <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 08:47:30 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Joke Melville

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Allen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 08:33:45 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a concerned citizen and animal lover, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Isn't it time we stopped torturing animals for our own amusement!

Sincerely,  
Susan Allen

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Joni Dobran <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 08:22:07 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Traps maim and kill much more than the intended "target." Other wild animals, pets and even people are often maimed or killed. Trapping is cruel and barbaric, it is certainly not a sport, and it is something that should have been outlawed years ago. Thank you for considering my opinion.

Sincerely,  
Joni Dobran

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Joyce Courtin [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 08:12:13 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Traps are cruel and immoral! It is one thing to kill an animal swiftly, and another to subject animals to slow painful death or injury. Not to mention the danger it poses to people and domestic animals. Don't just pass a 'lame' bill, pass something meaningful.

I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Haven't we evolved into a more sophisticated, knowledgeable being than we were years or centuries ago? No? I hope the answer is yes!

I VOTE!

Sincerely,

Joyce Courtin

Sincerely,  
Joyce Courtin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** linda satter <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 08:09:29 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. I lost my beloved Siberian Husky to a trap. They are arcane and should be forever banned.

Sincerely,  
linda satter

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Yazmin Gonzalez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 07:54:48 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Yazmin Gonzalez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Adria Winfield [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 07:57:01 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Adria Winfield

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anita Walsh [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 07:44:46 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. The thought of going out for a walk on public lands is filled with trepidation. This used to be a beautiful and safe pastime, and healthy too. I am sure many people are keeping away from the state's beautiful places because of the danger that traps and snares present. People, kids, pets, endangered species and even livestock are threatened. Of all the ways to kill or harm an animal, this is the most cruel, and as I said, the poor targeted animals are not't the only victims of this indiscriminate practice. Please make them illegal.  
Thank You.

Sincerely,  
Anita Walsh

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elizabeth Watts [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 07:50:40 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Watts

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Charmaine Wait [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 07:32:04 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Charmaine Wait

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Brian Christian <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 07:21:45 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. These should be outlawed.

Sincerely,  
Brian Christian

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Halli Bourne [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 07:21:50 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Halli Bourne

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Deborah Risberg [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 07:21:37 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Trapping should not be allowed anywhere. They are cruel: animals endure prolonged pain, dehydration, starvation, predation, emotional trauma, and more, and they can trap any critter that happens upon a trap.

They are also a public safety hazard to people and their dogs.

And it is so inexpensive to be a trapper, no bag limits, and yet trappers make money off of OUR wildlife.

None of this is right! New Mexico could make a bold statement by outlawing this cruel, indiscriminate practice that other states could follow. Let's step up and do what is right for animals.

Sincerely,  
Deborah Risberg

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dorothy Magda <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 07:21:30 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

My "back yard" is BLM land and I have coyotes, rabbits (cottontails and jacks), quail, roadrunners, all manner of wonderful fur and feather folk, that share their lives with me. You want to trap and get rid of something, how about the feral cats that the animal place keeps putting right back in my yard after I humanely get them. They are flea bitten, rheumy eyed wildlife killers that a neighbor feeds and I have no recourse. It's my pleasure to have this place to walk myself and neighborhood children explore here too. What a cat will walk into and the door shuts is NOT what is being put out to hurt, kill, and torture the animals.

Thank you for whatever attention you give this in passing. Dotty Magda

Sincerely,  
Dorothy Magda

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Maren Northway [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 06:59:54 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Animals were here on this planet long before humans and it belongs to the animals. I urge you to give what's rightfully theirs back to them.

Sincerely,  
Maren Northway

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Todd Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 06:37:59 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Todd Johnson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pat Wolph [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 06:17:42 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. It is an outrage that NM still lives in the 19th century. NM hardly makes any profit from this horrible practice. And too many pets and animals trappers don't want, are injured or killed. It is time for NM to end this archaic practice.

Sincerely,  
Pat Wolph

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jean Chagnon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 06:15:28 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Jean Chagnon

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Billie Mitchell [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 06:12:02 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. It is inconceivable, to me, that you would allow the cruel and indiscriminate trapping of our wild animals. We must protect their rights to be treated humanely.

Sincerely,  
Billie Mitchell

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jean Chagnon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 06:07:06 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Jean Chagnon

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Petersen [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 05:38:54 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. They are not only cruel but represent a 19th C outdated view of wildlife and their place in our world...

Sincerely,  
Karen Petersen

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Chilton Gregory [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 05:44:03 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.  
It's time to wake up to the cruelty of trapping.

The city of Astoria needs to change its name.

Sincerely,  
Chilton Gregory

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Natalie Van Leekwijck [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 05:28:54 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Natalie Van Leekwijck

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marie Dickenson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 05:31:20 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Marie Dickenson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Linda Deno <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 05:24:07 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Trapping is dangerous to the public at large, as well as causing expensive veterinary bills and emotional distress to people when their pets are caught in traps if it does not kill the pet outright. As a licensed veterinary technician I have assisted in trap-caused leg amputations. Trapping inflicts unacceptable suffering on wildlife as well. NM Game and Fish keeps acting as if we are living in 1920 instead of 2019. Do you really want our state to be this barbaric so a few trappers can make a little cash? As a New Mexico taxpayer I absolutely do not.

Sincerely,  
Linda Deno

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Candace & Robert Breen-Lee & Lee [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 05:21:45 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As New Mexicans, we are writing you to express our opposition to traps, snares and poisons on public land.

There is absolutely NO reason for these barbaric methods to be used on OUR public lands. They are not only indiscriminate, but cruel and painful.

These "tools" benefit a few at the expense of the many. Not only do we pay for them with our tax dollars, wildlife and pets pay with their lives.

Ranchers need to do more than put their animals out on public lands and leave them to their own devices. If they don't want to experience fatalities, they need to practice better animal husbandry. Burros, certain breeds of dogs and even human presence will help deter depredation. Why don't they stay out with their cows when they're about to calf? Shepherds do that with their sheep.

Please consider banning these barbaric, outdated devices on our public lands.

Sincerely,  
Candace & Robert Breen-Lee & Lee

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dyan Merick [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 05:14:18 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public [land.WS](#)

Sincerely,  
Dyan Merick

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Joe Ward [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 05:09:52 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Steel traps are horribly cruel. They have no place in today's world. Please ban them from New Mexico's public lands. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Joe Ward

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Margo Berg [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 05:16:12 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Margo Berg

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Freya Harris [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 05:05:28 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Freya Harris

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rita Glasscock [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 05:05:18 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Rita Glasscock

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Weiss [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 04:52:09 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Traps and snares are cruel. You should put a stop to the use completely.

Sincerely,  
Carol Weiss

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Weiss [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 04:54:30 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Traps and snares are cruel punishment and should be stopped completely.

Sincerely,  
Carol Weiss

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jean Bernstein [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 04:53:51 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Trapping benefits no one, not even the ranchers that support it. Innocent domestic animals also suffer from these danger, hidden traps. Let's leave the dark ages and move into enlightenment - ban traps and snares.

Sincerely,  
Jean Bernstein

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Myrna Britton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 04:34:25 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,

Myrna Britton

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ellen Soles [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 04:42:25 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Traps and snares are inhumane methods resulting in cruel forms of animal death and unnecessary suffering. As indiscriminate tools, they also pose a public safety hazard. I oppose their use on New Mexico's public lands except where absolutely required, and only by licensed, qualified professionals--not for-profit trappers. I would deeply appreciate your re-considering and greatly strengthening the proposed changes to trapping regulations to ban them in most cases, helping to align New Mexico with 21st century scientific understanding of animal physiology and neurology, as well as the public welfare. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Ellen Soles

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mindy Newby [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 04:28:08 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps are cruel: Trapped animals are subject to prolonged pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, predation, dislocation, self-amputation, and emotional trauma. This bobcat found near La Jencia represents such suffering. It is not uncommon for leghold traps to be found with only a paw/foot left in them. The survival of these trap victims is questionable.

Traps are indiscriminate: Traps frequently maim and kill non-target animals and there are many such instances across the state. Traps can catch animals as small as chipmunks. In New Mexico, non-target animals that have been killed or maimed by leghold traps include black bears, Mexican gray wolves (over 40 incidents), owls, and mountain lions. One caller to Animal Protection of New Mexico's Cruelty Hotline reported finding and releasing an injured raven caught in a trap. Many other species are at risk, including domestic animals...

Traps are a public safety hazard: Along with non-target wildlife, leghold traps have injured and killed domestic dogs or cats in nearly every county in New Mexico. Last year at least two dogs (Roxy and Ranger) were killed by traps in the state and a handful more were injured (Kekoa was among multiple dogs that lost a leg). Data from reported incidents on public lands show that traps threaten all New Mexicans and their companion animals, not just those who recreate near populated areas of the state.

Trapping is a drain on native wildlife populations for private profit: For only \$20 (\$9 for juniors), a trapper is given free rein to wreak havoc on native furbearer populations. There are no bag limits for furbearers in New Mexico and any trapper can kill as many animals as he wants—selling the pelts, depending on the species, for up to several hundred dollars each, profiting off the wildlife held in trust for all New Mexicans.

Sincerely,

Mindy Newby

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elaine Pinckard [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 04:21:36 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Elaine Pinckard

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lenore Reeves [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 04:19:36 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Lenore Reeves

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** ERIK FREDRICKSON <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 04:08:14 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
ERIK FREDRICKSON

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pamela Demmer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 04:08:25 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. It is cruel, it is indiscriminate, and it is barbaric and dangerous for hikers and their pets. It is a drain on our native wildlife populations. Let New Mexico lead on this issue. Let NM do the right thing!!

Sincerely,  
Pamela Demmer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Renee Plouviez [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 04:06:50 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Not all trappers check their traps daily , I heard stories of legs found chewed off in traps , beating the trapped animal to death , its disgusting.

This is cruel and needs to stop

Sincerely,

Renee Plouviez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marina Sagardua [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 04:03:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

We are already behind on humane legislation in almost every field. We ask the SGC not to permit to set traps and snares on public land at least. Please consider taking steps according to the XXI century sensibility regarding animal abuse.

Thank you

Sincerely,  
Marina Sagardua

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ann Jones [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 03:57:43 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,

Ann Jones

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** KATHLEEN HALL [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 03:45:23 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
KATHLEEN HALL

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jean Chagnon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 03:33:24 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Jean Chagnon

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Margaret Keller [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 03:31:14 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

The reason California, Colorado, Washington, and Arizona have already restricted or banned trapping on public lands is to enhance safety, promote tourism, and reduce wildlife suffering.

By taking away traps and snares on public land we would greatly reduce “a form of killing that involves days of pain, starvation, even self-amputation, before animals succumb.” If this form of torture occurred in any other context, those responsible would be accused of criminal animal cruelty.

And, exactly what are we gaining with trapping while several other Western States now understand there is no need but rather without trapping their enjoyment and use of public lands has increased and is much safer for humans and animals.

Sincerely,  
Margaret Keller

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Joy Casey [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 03:04:19 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. This odious practice is brutal and intolerable to a civilized society. I urge you to enforce serious and significant changes to our state's trapping rules to deter profit-seeking private trappers on public lands and keep our communities safe.

Thank you for taking swift action on this matter, Joyce Casey

Sincerely,  
Joy Casey

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dana Radell [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 03:03:52 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a visitor to New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Dana Radell

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Catherine Frizat [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 03:06:40 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a citizen, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

While the new rules would take some small positive steps (like clarifying that poisons are banned, closing four minuscule areas of land to traps, and requiring trappers to complete a trapper education course), ultimately the proposals leave the vast majority of public lands in New Mexico open for perilous leg-hold traps, lethal snares, and deadly "Conibear" body-gripping traps.

They also increase the risk to the public and our ecosystem through measures like drastically expanding trapping seasons for raccoons and nutria, allowing them to be killed year-round; and requiring that traps set in water be fully submerged, hidden beneath the surface.

The proposed rules also continue to allow unlimited furbearer animals to be trapped—trappers can still kill and profit off as many furbearer animals as they want, without "bag limits."

This is unacceptable. The majority of New Mexicans and US citizens oppose traps and snares: they are cruel, indiscriminate, they are a public safety hazard, and they are a drain on native wildlife populations for private profit.

I urge you to take the necessary steps to address those concerns by enacting new, sensible regulations.

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Catherine Frizat

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jeffrey Hanus <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 03:00:48 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Dear Commissioners,

As the Board President and CEO of the New Mexico Wildlife Center, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps are cruel. Trapped animals are subject to prolonged pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, predation, dislocation, self-amputation, and emotional trauma. This bobcat found near La Jencia represents such suffering. It is not uncommon for leghold traps to be found with only a paw/foot left in them. The survival of these trap victims is questionable.

Traps are indiscriminate. Traps frequently maim and kill non-target animals and there are many such instances across the state. Traps can catch animals as small as chipmunks. In New Mexico, non-target animals that have been killed or maimed by leghold traps include black bears, Mexican gray wolves (over 40 incidents), owls, and mountain lions. One caller to Animal Protection of New Mexico's Cruelty Hotline reported finding and releasing an injured raven caught in a trap. Many other species are at risk, including domestic animals...

Traps are a public safety hazard. Along with non-target wildlife, leghold traps have injured and killed domestic dogs or cats in nearly every county in New Mexico. Last year at least two dogs (Roxy and Ranger) were killed by traps in the state and a handful more were injured (Kekoa was among multiple dogs that lost a leg). Data from reported incidents on public lands show that traps threaten all New Mexicans and their companion animals, not just those who recreate near populated areas of the state.

Trapping is a drain on native populations for private profit. For only \$20 (\$9 for juniors), a trapper is given free rein to wreak havoc on native furbearer populations. There are no bag limits for furbearers in New Mexico and any trapper can kill as many animals as he wants—selling the pelts, depending on the species, for up to several hundred dollars each, profiting off the wildlife held in trust for all New Mexicans.

Thank you for reading my comments. Please consider banning trapping altogether, for the above valid reasons.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Hanus,  
Board President and CEO,  
New Mexico Wildlife Center

Sincerely,  
Jeffrey Hanus

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** debrah slama [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/11/2019 03:01:56 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
debrah slama

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Judy Cato [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/14/2019 06:17:54 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Steel-jaw traps are inhumane and outdated, and their legality is a flat-out embarrassment to our state. As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to them on public land and to implore you to ban them altogether!

Sincerely,  
Judy Cato

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rebecca Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/14/2019 01:08:27 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Trapping is torture, full stop. Torture has no place in a civilized society, or in the state of New Mexico.

Sincerely,  
Rebecca Johnson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jill Cowley [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/14/2019 12:16:04 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. I oppose all trapping and snaring on public lands, especially anywhere near trails and trailheads and or submerged in water -- anywhere where they are not visible and where recreationalists including children and dogs may encounter them. Public lands and their wildlife should not be harmed and used for private gain. The current State Game and Fish Dept proposed changes do not go far enough to keep the public and wildlife safe on public lands.

Thank you!

J Cowley

Sincerely,  
Jill Cowley

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Laura Bonar [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/14/2019 11:44:07 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Dear Commissioners,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps are cruel and indiscriminate, as you well know. Your proposed changes are like a bandaid on a gaping wound.

Please act in the best interests of wildlife and our communities to stop the use of traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely yours,

Laura Bonar

Sincerely,  
Laura Bonar

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Charles Fox [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/14/2019 11:00:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Traps are a danger to public lands users and indiscriminate destroyers of wildlife. Random killing is not wildlife management in any credible sense. Removing traps from NM public lands is sorely needed and long overdue.

Please listen to your constituents, the vast majority of whom are non-consumptive users of wildlife and public lands, and ban traps from public lands without delay. How many more people and animals have to be harmed for the sake of "tradition"?

Sincerely,  
Charles Fox

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jane Collins [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/14/2019 10:24:56 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Jane Collins

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** MAUREEN HAVEY [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/14/2019 09:37:56 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is an antiquated cruel indiscriminate and hazardous practice that should long ago have been made illegal. There is no need for a fur trade or wanton destruction of wildlife in this day and age.  
Get with it.

Sincerely,  
MAUREEN HAVEY

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Leah Garcia <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/14/2019 09:33:29 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. These traps are not only cruel, but unnecessary! They target all animals and when trapped, these animals suffer greatly. They also are a hazard to humans, which, needless to say, is of great concern. These traps are a risk not worth taking and, again, are not necessary.

Sincerely,  
Leah Garcia

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary Bowlby [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/14/2019 09:07:43 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Mary Bowlby

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Michael Hasson [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/14/2019 06:43:13 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

First, traps are inherently cruel. And unfortunately, indiscriminate. The number of non-target animals killed and maimed, including companion animals, by traps placed on public lands is unacceptable.

Additionally, most trapping for predators is ineffective and will never achieve the stated goals. Coyote populations are biologically self regulating and no "control" measure has ever proven effective. So why should we support a cruel and indiscriminate attempt at such folly?

I strongly encourage you to make a meaningful difference to ensure our public lands are safer by working towards a trap free environment in New Mexico.

Mike Hasson  
Glenwood, NM

Sincerely,  
Michael Hasson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Veronica B. [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/14/2019 04:57:01 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Veronica B.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nancy Chismar [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/14/2019 04:45:50 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Nancy Chismar

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** chris thomann [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/14/2019 02:28:15 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
chris thomann

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Liliana Castillo <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 11:42:01 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Liliana Castillo

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Connie Burris <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 10:48:52 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public lands.

Barbaric Trapping/snaring is Extreme Animal Cruelty,  
traps kill many non target animals including people's pets, and they are A public safety hazard  
these trapped animals suffer immensely for days if they don't die right away, then these animals are ruthlessly killed for what?  
We do not need real fur there are many alternatives and many companies are taking heed that trapping should be banned.  
We as citizens everywhere should want this old west hand me down tradition BANNED.  
Please Ban this Cruelty of Trapping Wildlife.  
Thank you

Sincerely,  
Connie Burris

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Debra Freeman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 08:53:21 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Traps are disgusting.... how can you look in the eyes of an animal dying in a trap without empathy and compassion?

Sincerely,  
Debra Freeman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carrie Thompson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 07:43:47 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

I know you are aware of the fact that most people in our state do not want these cruel and dangerous contraptions on lands we all share together. Traps and snares cause severe pain and possibly death, they can and do capture unintended species, they harm our wildlife population, and they benefit a few people for personal profit.

For these reasons above, i would like for you to end the practice of trapping on our public lands.

I hope you make changes based on the wishes of the majority of the people in New Mexico.

Sincerely,

Carrie Thompson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Christie Bradley <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 07:19:26 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Christie Bradley

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Debra Curci [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 06:40:53 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a human being, I demand that you ban all trapping immediately.

Sincerely,  
Debra Curci

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ardeth Baxter [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 05:34:14 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

I just don't understand why trappers are still calling the shots on this issue. Trapping is bad on many levels. It's unspeakably cruel because it slowly tortures the animal before it dies. It injures and often kills pets as well as so-called nontargeted wildlife, and even humans can be hurt. And it kills these magnificent wild creatures for the most superficial of reasons--to skin them for their fur, which most people these days reject as clothing anyway because of the extreme cruelty involved in obtaining it.

So why do it? Why can't New Mexico be a trailblazing state and reject trapping, just as it recently rejected coyote killing contests?

I'm hoping that this very weak trapping rule you're considering will be strengthened considerably so that our state's wildlife as well as unintended victims will be able to roam safely in nature on our public lands without fear of maiming and death.

Sincerely,  
Ardeth Baxter

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jimmie Thompson <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 05:02:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. The use of traps is a cruel practice that needs to stop. There is no credible reason for trapping. Please stop this inhumane practice.

Sincerely,  
Jimmie Thompson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** THERESA MITCHUM <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 03:49:12 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
THERESA MITCHUM

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Christiane Schneebeili [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 07:59:32 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Christiane Schneebeili

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marie-José CHOBERT [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 03:13:35 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,

Marie-José CHOBERT

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Winn Adams [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 01:38:43 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Winn Adams

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Hanna Monola [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 01:34:42 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Hanna Monola

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ellen Prior [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 01:09:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Ellen Prior

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Devera thing [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 12:28:50 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Devera thing

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Melanie Demmer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 11:32:26 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Our state needs to join other states moving forward from outdated practices regarding animals.

Sincerely,  
Melanie Demmer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Antoinette Gonzales [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 11:31:00 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Antoinette Gonzales

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Norman Wendell [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 10:58:50 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Norman Wendell

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jennifer Rhea [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 09:20:10 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. This barbaric practice puts children, adults, family pets and non-targeted wildlife at risk. It's also inhumane for the animal of choice. A tiny minority of New Mexicans participates in trapping, but they put all of us at risk. Bring us into the modern era and ban this practice today.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Rhea

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jana Harker <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 07:05:13 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Jana Harker

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anne Salzmänn [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 06:34:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. There is no strong need for anyone to trap animals any more and to allow more cruelty on this earth than there already is makes no sense. I walk dogs in places where traps can be left and find this absolutely horrifying. Please have the courage to do something good and defy those who still want to kill animals in this slow and painful way.

Anne Salzmänn

Sincerely,  
Anne Salzmänn

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Joanne White [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 03:43:32 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Joanne White

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Claudia Binfa [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/13/2019 03:24:51 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Please stop this

Sincerely,  
Claudia Binfa

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lucia Annunziata [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/12/2019 11:54:47 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Lucia Annunziata

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Wayne Scott [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/15/2019 07:54:26 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

This is a barbaric practice which has no place in modern societies and it is a disgrace that such cruelty is allowed to continue in a civilized society.

I urge you to put an end to this shameful and idiotic practice entirely.

Silly little rule changes will not do. Are we savages or intelligent people living in a modern society.

End ALL such trapping practices now!

Sincerely,

Wayne Scott

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sharon Kurtz <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/15/2019 06:44:06 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican and someone who often visits public lands, I am writing to express my very strong opposition to traps and snares on public land. Please change the state's trapping rules to totally stop trapping on public lands.

Sincerely,  
Sharon Kurtz

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Catherine Jobling [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/15/2019 02:46:08 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. These traps and snares inflict unbelievable torture, catch all types of animals (target, non-target and companion), threaten public safety and rob New Mexicans of their native wildlife.

The proposed changes are weak and pandering to trappers and hunters who only see dollar signs in dealing horrific deaths to furbearing animals. These changes to trapping rules need to be much more substantial with teeth in ending profiteering trappers on public land. Stop the theft of innocent animal life on public land by trappers!

Sincerely,  
Catherine Jobling

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** caroline schnettler [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/15/2019 01:50:13 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
caroline schnettler

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Oksana Brodie <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/15/2019 12:32:25 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Oksana Brodie

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Joanne Sobczak [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:26:13 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Joanne Sobczak

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Denise Lytle [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:14:36 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a someone who cares about animal welfare, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Not only are these cruel, they do not discriminate, so many pets get caught in these traps.

Sincerely,  
Denise Lytle

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elayne Patton [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:54:00 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. The pain and suffering caused by these traps is unimaginable. The indiscriminate nature is criminal. This outdated, inhumane "custom" must be reconsidered. It's time to shine a new light on New Mexico.

Sincerely,  
Elayne Patton

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nikhil Kulkarni MD [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:53:07 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Nikhil Kulkarni MD

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** sau tsang <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:45:27 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
sau tsang

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Caroline Sévilla [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:22:21 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Caroline Sévilla  
Allee Marc Chagall  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Victoria Linehan [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:19:41 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

I strongly oppose traps & snares on public lands. I am a New Mexico resident.

Traps kill non-target species. They are brutal in the suffering they cause. Any animal that escapes, ie chews its foot off, most likely has a dire outcome. I have had neighbor's whose dogs have been caught in these while out on a hike or horseback ride. It is long overdue that these traps be banned. Please be progressive.

Sincerely,  
Victoria Linehan

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Randy Diner [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 05:24:32 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Randy Diner

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Glynis Simmons [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 05:19:17 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Its deeply disturbing any human that has the mindset that this vicious cruel pratice is acceptable should expirence first hand having your ownor a belived family members head or body part trapped in one. I'm sure then it would become illegal.

Lawmakers and judicial staff need to Step out of the stone-age into yhe present and educate themselves. Whoever dismissed this should be fired immediatly and stripped of benefits as you have been a dis-service to serving justice.

Sincerely,  
Glynis Simmons

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anna Brewer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:57:31 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

I want to express express my fierce opposition to allowing poison and traps and snares on public land!  
These traps are inflicting such suffering on animals, it's unimaginable!  
Please, let's respect the lives of our sentient beings in forests, anywhere, and ban these barbaric torture-devices for good!

Thank you

Sincerely,  
Anna Brewer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elizabeth Casanova [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:18:39 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Please stop the torture.

Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Casanova

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** john pasqua [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:47:48 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. please ban these traps to save the animals.

Sincerely,  
john pasqua

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Misha Bittleston [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/17/2019 10:56:15 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. I am also strongly against allowing dogs to run off leash. I have seen the devastation that off-leash dogs do to wildlife. If the rules about letting dogs run off-leash were even vaguely enforced, the safety of our cherished wildlife and of those domestic dogs and of humans would be greatly increased. The trails near where I live are completely devastated by off leash dogs. There used to be jack rabbits, and all kinds of beautiful large ground dwelling birds. They are all gone, and around every corner is another off leash dog charging through the bushes. As a runner I have stopped running trails around Santa Fe because I have been chased and attacked by off leash dogs too many times. Dogs on leashes do not get caught in traps.

Sincerely,  
Misha Bittleston

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Bruce Donnell [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/17/2019 10:50:01 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps are cruel and indiscriminate, as likely to kill pets and domestic animals as wildlife.

Killing wildlife and predators upsets the natural balance of animals. This can lead to an increase of rodents and vermin, which can lead to more disease.

It also creates private profit from wildlife that belongs to all of us.

It is just plain wrong.

Sincerely,

Bruce Donnell

Sincerely,

Bruce Donnell  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cecilia Clark [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/17/2019 10:25:31 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. I believe that a complete ban on these cruel, inhuman and indiscriminate devices should be instituted. If for no other reason, traps and snares should be banned as safety hazards on public lands for people and pets that are trying to enjoy the outdoors.

Upon learning that charges have been dropped against the illegal trapper that killed a beloved dog, Roxie, I am more determined than ever to lobby this Commission and the Legislature until an end is put to this practice on our public lands. I, and many others, will not rest until this is done. Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,  
Cecilia Clark

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Bartels [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/17/2019 10:04:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. These traps are set by hunters that have no respect for wildlife at all to put an animal thru misery and for what? If it's for fur they can make the same fur identical to an animals that is fake . It's so unnecessary and also the balance of the ecosystem is disrupted when you allow people to kill ad many as they want no matter what animal . Your state need to evolve into 2020 and not be stuck in the 80s

Sincerely,  
Carol Bartels

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Tiska Blankenship [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/17/2019 10:00:25 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

We need strong laws/rules to stop these indiscriminate horrible and cruel trappings and poisonings. The cruelty we allow speaks loudly about who we are. I want us to be clear in our compassionate actions as we take care of the creation that has been bequeathed to us.

You and your/my organization need to promote and carry out strong and humane actions for all animals. Please, please shape strong rules and laws for New Mexico and all of the United States. I and animals count on you. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Tiska Blankenship

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pamela Turman <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/17/2019 09:44:29 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

This is extremely cruel and needs to stop! Please stop this horrible trapping of innocent animals!

Thank You! You can make a difference!

Sincerely, Pamela Turman

Sincerely,

Pamela Turman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** kathleen poole [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/17/2019 09:23:50 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. This is for lazy people who do NOT care who or what they trap. Just like other horrible practices such as slavery needs to be stopped. I really hope all of you will put a stop to this before any more pets are hurt or endangered animals are killed or are you people waiting for someones child to be hurt, maimed or killed before you stop this... This is something that really needs to put an end to now.

Sincerely,  
kathleen poole

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jo Ruprecht [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:17:17 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing to you to express my very strong opposition to traps and snares on public land. As a person who has been involved in wildlife rehabilitation for over 25 years I am appalled that any state, but especially the "Land of Enchantment", still allows public policy to be guided by the narrow and outdated views of those who support loose regulation of animal trapping, maiming, and killing. New Mexico needs to do a much better job in this regard. How dare we invite any tourist to a place where just around the bend of a trail they can come upon a beloved family pet trapped, maimed, or killed by an irresponsible and under-supervised human predator.

Many, many people are begging you to ban the kind of activities that led to Roxy's death and insisting that what regulations are in place are more thoroughly and rigorously enforced.

Sincerely,  
Jo Ruprecht

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Alyson McMinn [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:52:15 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Alyson McMinn

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Abbie Ghini [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:04:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

It is amazing to me that trapping in any form is still condoned, considering how cruel and inhumane it is. Are we, in looking the other way or in grudgingly passing pathetically weak restrictions, implying that this sadism is acceptable in our culture? What does that say to our children? Will they generalize and say: because we have the ability to hurt another creature, or wantonly take its life, then should we just go ahead and do it? This is, in effect, an extreme kind of bullying, when we abuse and torture creatures just because we can.

We need to set the example for generations to come and treat our planet and our fellow creatures who share it with us with kindness, respect, and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Abbie Ghini

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sharon Bice [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:08:06 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

We are on the trails over 5x per week either with horses or mountain bikes. For many years we hiked them with kids who went off trail more than they were on. I can't believe that this is allowed in our state and that we didn't end up with a hurt child or dog. Please end traps in New Mexico, it is cruel and unsafe for our land. Thank you for listening - the Bice family, 72 Solar Ct., Sandia Park, NM

Sincerely,  
Sharon Bice

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Tina Baker [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:45:44 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. It's wrong n others can get hurt n kids too. Plz just take it out completely cause no one should go threw that kind of pain n suffering a slow death such as that!!! Put urself in that trap n c how u would like it!! Also we need to b protecting our wild life not killing them off to distinction!

Sincerely,  
Tina Baker

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** goose feeders [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:40:45 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Especially for the citizens who live in rural areas and love to walk and hike and camp with our dogs. safety from traps is so important. There are surely easier and kinder ways to manage wild animal population and to protect our beloved companions and ourselves. Look into the eyes of your family and friends, your pets, and all live beings and choose compassion.

Sincerely,  
goose feeders

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jo Ann Sullivan <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:40:12 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. On public land they are unnecessary and disastrous for wildlife, pets and walkers . They encourage violent, murderous behavior that may become harmful to society.  
I object to my taxes being used to support this harmful trapping policy .

Sincerely,  
Jo Ann Sullivan

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anne Montarou [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:21:19 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Anne Montarou

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** D Schmidt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:34:03 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.  
It is shameful how so many animals are suffering. Please let this be on your conscience if you don't stop this unnecessary cruelty.  
And the poor dog who was caught and strangled is behind awful.  
And the animals left to a slow miserable death with an iron jaw on them.  
Please make changes to help and not harm. (;

Sincerely,  
D Schmidt

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Natalie Van Leekwijck [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:14:55 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps are cruel. Trapped animals are subject to prolonged pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, predation, dislocation, self-amputation, and emotional trauma. Traps frequently maim and kill non-target animals. Along with non-target wildlife, leghold traps have injured and killed domestic dogs or cats.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,  
Natalie Van Leekwijck

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jennifer Endonino [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:40:36 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

I feel New Mexico is stuck looking backwards. Why are you afraid to look toward the future? Antiquated laws regarding trapping are only hurting New Mexico.

The state of New Mexico could be great if the law makers would stop hiding behind the past.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Endonino

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Krista Garcia [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:10:24 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. It's inhumane and wrong.

Sincerely,  
Krista Garcia

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Laurelle Danton DVM [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 01:41:10 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. For 35 years, as a veterinarian, I have treated and tried to save animals caught in devastating, painful leg traps. The trap that killed Roxie, as her owner desperately tried to save her, is the cruelest trap ever invented! One poor dog I treated had TWO legs in a trap, which I was able to treat, and he was able to walk, with difficulty, but alas his two normal legs could not take the stress and strain, and he has to be euthanized! My heart broke for the owner, the dog, and my daughter [who worked for me and helped me, at the tender age of 16], and for myself, because there was nothing else I could do. I would have had to remove one of the legs, and as you can imagine, no dog can walk on one leg! This was a working ranch dog, and he certainly didn't deserve to die in such cruel pain and suffering!  
**PLEASE CHANGE THE LAW AND PREVENT THESE NEEDLESS DEATHS.....EVEN FOR OUR WILDLIFE!**

Sincerely,  
Laurelle Danton DVM

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Inge Bjorkman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 02:59:25 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Inge Bjorkman  
Kråkshult, Åkerslund 1  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Liz Scollard [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:16:32 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Public land should allow me to walk my pet safely without worrying if he may not come back alive. I am begging you to please take a look at what this is doing and how much pain it continues to cause.

Commissioner Vesbach, please know you can make this change. Make it possible for us to walk our beloved pets in a safe public land. Thank you for your time.

Liz Scollard

Sincerely,  
Liz Scollard

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Melissa Amarello [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 10:30:14 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. The proposed changes are too weak to make any meaningful difference to the safety of our public lands and the integrity of our ecosystem—in fact, some proposals could actually make trapping worse. Here are just a few reasons why we need SIGNIFICANT changes to state trapping rules—ones that will stop profit-driven private trapping on public lands, and keep our communities safe.

Traps are cruel: Trapped animals are subject to prolonged pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, predation, dislocation, self-amputation, and emotional trauma. It is not uncommon for leghold traps to be found with only a paw/foot left in them. The survival of these trap victims is unlikely.

Traps are indiscriminate: Traps frequently maim and kill non-target animals and there are many such instances across the state, including endangered Mexican gray wolves, federally protected owls, and mountain lions.

Traps are a public safety hazard: Along with non-target wildlife, leghold traps have injured and killed domestic dogs or cats in nearly every county in New Mexico. Last year at least two dogs (Roxy and Ranger) were killed by traps in the state and a handful more were injured (Kekoa was among multiple dogs that lost a leg). Data from reported incidents on public lands show that traps threaten all New Mexicans and their companion animals, not just those who recreate near populated areas of the state.

Trapping is a drain on native wildlife populations for private profit: For only \$20 (\$9 for juniors), a trapper is given free rein to wreak havoc on native furbearer populations. There are no bag limits for furbearers in New Mexico and any trapper can kill as many animals as he wants—selling the pelts, depending on the species, for up to several hundred dollars each, profiting off the wildlife held in trust for all New Mexicans.

Sincerely,  
Melissa Amarello

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sandra Materi [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 10:57:13 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Trapping is unbelievably cruel. Please stop all trapping and show the world you are a leader in compassion.

Sincerely,  
Sandra Materi

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rin Porter [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 10:57:36 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As an American, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps are cruel, subjecting trapped animals to pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, self-amputation, emotional trauma, and ultimately death. Any of these conditions observed in a "Pet" cat, dog, or horse would lead to criminal prosecution by local law enforcement authorities. So why are these conditions considered OK for wildlife? It's wrong.

Traps are indiscriminate. They frequently aim and kill non-target animals in New Mexico, as well as in Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, and other states that allow trapping.

Traps are a public safety hazard. Leghold traps have injured and killed domestic dogs and cats in nearly every county in New Mexico.

Traps drain native wildlife populations for private profit. Wildlife belong to ALL of us, not just to trappers and hunters. Trappers can kill as many animals as they want. This is a very poor use of resources that belong to ALL of us.

Sincerely,  
Rin Porter

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Virginia Bell-Pringle [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:14:34 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

I am concerned for all of the animals for which these traps are not intended. I am concerned about my dog getting loose on a hike and being killed or maimed. These methods do not discriminate.

I just spent my life savings to move to Santa Fe to enjoy nature and public lands. These traps ruin any sense of peace and calm as they are barbaric killing devices and now I have to worry about myself or my pet being injured.

The majority of people in the state would benefit from banning these traps.

Sincerely,  
Dr. Virginia Bell-Pringle

Sincerely,  
Virginia Bell-Pringle  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** GABRIELA VARGAS [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:22:45 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,

GABRIELA VARGAS

ahuatepec, camino a tepoztlan., AHUATEPEC, CAMINO A TAPOZTLAN.  
[REDACTED]

**From:** melody mccormick [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:39:16 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. As a citizen who hikes and has family members who explore these lands which belong to all of us I am expressing my opposition to these indiscriminate snares and traps. As a citizen with pets and who rides the public lands I am writing to oppose these snares and traps.

If you have experienced losing a pet to one of these hidden and often illegally planted snares and/or traps you will know they are diabolical and cruel. If you have seen the mummified remains of native animals which have been caught and then discarded because the trappers did not check the traps you would feel the disgust in which these people and these trap/snares are held. If you have ridden and had a horse inadvertently trigger one of the trap/snares and either become spooked, tangled, or injured on our public lands you would see these snare/traps should be outlawed. In this day and age we should be protecting our wildlife and our domestic animals. There is little excuse for the accidental killing of protected animals in order to make some extra money. We are no longer a society which lives by eating or surviving on trapped and snared animals. Trapping /snaring is a cruel and inhumane way for small private profit at our expense.

This needs to be outlawed immediately and stringent punishments imposed on the perpetrators.

This is a disgusting and inhumane as well as indiscriminate and cowardly distance killing. No traps of any size, no snares, no more of this cruelty in our state. These killing machines are dangerous to wildlife, to domestic animals, and to humans even in the most remote areas.

Meloy McCormick

Sincerely,  
melody mccormick

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ivan Fuentes [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:41:50 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Ivan Fuentes

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marcia Kellam [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:56:33 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my absolute opposition to unethical, cruel traps and snares on our public lands. Animals have feelings and nerve endings, too! Imagine yourself or someone you love becoming ensnared in one of these disgusting devices--the pain, the shock, the fear and panic, and the inability to escape, dying a slow and painful death. It's HIGH time to treat our wild (and domestic) animals as sentient beings. Those who support this kind of unnecessary cruelty are guilty of unconscionable neglect and murder.

Sincerely,  
Marcia Kellam

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Budd Berkman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:58:40 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

Charges dropped on that poor dog's strangulation death by an unlawful trapper? The trapping business is ridiculous in this state.

New Mexico acts like a 3rd world country when it comes to this issue. We need to ban all traps, snares, and poisons on public land. These lands belong to all of us and we can't take our dogs out for a hike?

Please do what you can to ban this 19th century activity. Our pets and our wildlife are worth much more to us alive than dead.

Thank you,  
Budd Berkman

Sincerely,  
Budd Berkman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jane Carson [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 01:17:58 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. They are barbaric and keep us in the dark ages. Let's lift the light and say no to trappers.

Sincerely,  
Jane Carson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jackie Johnston [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 02:03:06 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. These traps are cruel and indiscriminate.

Trapping a live animal and leaving him/her for hours to either suffer or die is extraordinarily cruel. I once came upon a dead fox in a trap. The look on that poor animal's face is something I will never forget. The fear that fox endured was beyond horrible.

These traps and snares are also indiscriminate. They trap anything that ventures near it. It can trap animals on the endangered species list or our beloved pets. I have had friends whose dogs have been trapped. Some of them suffered grievous injuries as a result.

The public lands that we all share attract many visitors from within our state and beyond. Tourism is a very lucrative industry for our state. Traveling with dogs is getting more and more popular. Not knowing if your dog is going to be maimed or killed in a trap does not encourage use of public lands by tourists. Neighboring states do not have as many traps lying in wait to trap an unsuspecting animal.

Please ban traps and snares on all public lands to avoid the cruelty for all animals, both wild and domestic. The only people benefitting from current trapping regulations are trappers who pay a minimal fee and sell the pelts for several hundred dollars each.

Let's have New Mexico be known as an animal friendly state.

Sincerely,  
Jackie Johnston

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jane Calvert Love [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 03:03:58 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. When my husband and I hike on public land with our dogs, our experience is diminished by the constant fear that one of us will encounter a leghold trap. Most likely it will be our dog because traps are baited to lure animals. Traps are indiscriminate and unimaginably cruel. Trapping is a very selfish act, allowing one individual to kill the native wildlife that most New Mexicans want to protect and only photograph when we visit their forest homes.

Sincerely,  
Jane Calvert Love

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Maryann Staron [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 04:41:26 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Maryann Staron

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Raleigh Koritz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 12:05:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Raleigh Koritz

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cory Sites [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:34:43 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Let's ban this practice for good!

Sincerely,  
Cory Sites

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Annette Ahlander [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:42:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

I recently sent you comments about the insufferable cruelty of trapping, snaring, and poisoning inflicted not only on wild but domestic animals here in New Mexico; apparently my comments went in one ear and out the other. I suppose if a three-year old child were caught in one of these neck snares you wouldn't be so blase about it . . . or would you? I am more than angry that you dropped the charges against Roxy's killer: I am LIVID. I'd love to try to reason with you as to why we should end these horrific practices that make New Mexico look like we've been plunged back into the Dark Ages, but I doubt it would do any good. If you'd listen to your hearts and your conscience instead of ranchers, hunters, and the almighty dollar, this could never happen again. I've fought against vicious steel-jaw traps for almost 50 years . . . with painfully no relief in sight. Do you think that animals have no feeling? That's what it looks like to me. BTW, it is the duty and the OBLIGATION of the State of New Mexico to UPHOLD its anti-animal cruelty laws punishable by arrest, fines, and even prison time, should it come to that, but you "bloody" let the man off the hook. Seems that Donald Trump isn't the only one getting away with breaking the law.

Sincerely,  
Annette Ahlander

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Terrie Williams [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 10:07:22 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a concerned citizen, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Any public land. They are a horrifying, torturous devise that produces maximum pain and suffering to a helpless animal before death.

Traps and snares are a tool used in the trapping and fur industries that is NO LONGER NEEDED OR NECESSARY in our modern times.

Please get rid of them once and for all.

Sincerely,  
Terrie Williams

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sandra Garriott-Stejskal [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 01:23:00 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

There is no excuse for traps, snares, and poisons to be on public lands where hikers, tourists, and children and pets, and non targeted wild life get injured or die from being caught by these cruel trapping and killing practices. How many more photos must we see of these animals suffering alone in the wild. Please make changes to prevent these horrible trapping policies. Thank you for your consideration to this matter. New Mexico needs stronger anti-trapping regulations and consequences for people who put so many animals, pets, and people at risk for suffering horrific injuries and slow deaths.

Sincerely, Sandra Garriott-Stejskal.

Sincerely,  
Sandra Garriott-Stejskal

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Debra Curci [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 01:51:43 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a human being, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public and private land.

Trapping is barbaric, it serves no purpose, and frequently other animals are caught in them. It is archaic and I implore you to ban trapping now.

Sincerely,  
Debra Curci

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Julia Thielert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 02:45:44 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps and snares are cruel, dangerous, indiscriminate, ecologically destructive, and have no place on the lands we all share.

Please ban them.

Sincerely,  
Julia Thielert

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Judith Larson [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:54:12 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Please strengthen the rules in New Mexico so that there can be no trapping or use of snares on public lands. They are a serious hazard to people and domestic animals that live near or are visiting those areas.

Sincerely,  
Judith Larson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Michael Lawler [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:15:24 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

First of all, these are OUR lands, and you are tasked with protecting them and their natural inhabitants.

Secondly, trapping is cruel and unusual treatment that terrorizes animals for whom we are stewards.

Finally, trapping on OUR lands is evidence of sick and inhumane conduct by individuals who should find something constructive to do with their lives.

No more subsidizing sick human conduct on OUR lands!

Sincerely,  
Michael Lawler

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Veronica B. [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:38:40 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Veronica B.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Tiliakos [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:59:48 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Please stop these cruel, indiscriminate traps. They are definitely inhumane and unnecessary. They bring havock upon intended and unintended habitat that have every right to survive in the wild without your horrific cruelty and torture. Their fur belongs to them, never to you. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Karen Tiliakos

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pascal Fromentin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 07:03:42 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Please use humane methods to control wildlife. Stop being Nazi monsters. Thanks! P.

Sincerely,  
Pascal Fromentin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Janine Vinton [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 10:58:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Janine Vinton

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jeanette Holmgren [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 03:01:30 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. It is about time you leave your medieval mentality behind and join the rest of us who have stepped in to the modern world. We are not barbarians.

Sincerely,  
Jeanette Holmgren

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gretel Underwood <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:13:42 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

I have lived in New Mexico for 38 years and I love my state. But I am also ashamed of my state for being so backwards when it comes to animal protection legislation.

I and my family are strongly against any type of trapping in New Mexico, whether it be on public or private land. Trapping is cruel, and barbaric to wildlife as well as domestic animals. There is no longer enough economic incentive to kill animals for fur. And it is no longer acceptable to disregard the suffering and pain animals go through when caught in a trap. This is not the nineteenth century. New Mexico needs to support its wildlife, not torture and kill it for pelts. Wildlife in New Mexico is partly mine, and I say no! to people who torture and kill my wildlife.

Please think beyond the old norms and the paltry money the state receives for trapping. Ban ALL Trapping for fur. Respectfully,  
Gretel, Wayne, and Max Underwood

Sincerely,  
Gretel Underwood

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kay Friedlob [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:16:39 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. They are cruel and inhumane.

Sincerely,  
Kay Friedlob

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Suzanne Hodges [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 02:29:53 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a non New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

This is a cruel outdated practice that has no place in any culture or civilized country. I am deeply appalled and disappointed that New Mexico participate and permit this.

Sincerely,  
Suzanne Hodges  
Benita  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lynda Schuh [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 07:53:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Lynda Schuh

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gale Murphy [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 07:39:53 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. ABOLISH ALL TRAPPING AND SNARING.

Sincerely,  
Gale Murphy

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Paola Castano [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 08:57:56 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Traps and snares are cruel, dangerous, indiscriminate, ecologically destructive, and have no place on the lands we all share.

thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,  
Paola Castano

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pascal Fromentin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 06:57:57 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Pascal Fromentin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Debera Solis [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 07:24:10 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Joanna Prukop,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. They are too painful!!!

Sincerely,  
Debera Solis

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** A Rush <[REDACTED]>

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 05:51:34 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rules

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Dear, New Mexico Game Commission,

Traps and snares are cruel and indiscriminate. They have no place on our public land. Please eliminate trapping on all public land.

Regards,  
Alice Rush

**From:** Mike Sauber [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:00:36 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping should be something of the past

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Dear Joanna Prukop,

I set a few traps when I was a kid but never caught anything. I grew up hunting and fishing. Times change and we should be adapting to those changes. There are plenty of options to wearing fur and it is no longer fashionable. Public lands are seen in a much different light and the use shows it. Less of us are hunting and more people are using our publicly funded lands to enjoy for the natural beauty, for solitude, bird-watching, backpacking and day-hiking. We often share these experiences with our four legged dog companions. We rightfully expect the lands we own together which is managed with our moneys and which pays your salary, to be managed for the benefit of the general population. Traps, poisons and snares all lessen the value of the experience we expect when we venture out for relief from the hectic pace of our workday lives.

I have worked on trappers vehicles when I had an auto repair garage in the Mimbres Valley. I know that trapping does not pay enough for someone's sole income. It is a hobby not an income.

Tourism is a very large part of rural communities and contributes immensely to our economies. Trapping is a taking from the public who want to enjoy our public lands.

I believe it is incumbent on you to do what should have been done long ago and end these practices on our lands in New Mexico. Enchant us with your decision.

Sincerely,  
Mike Sauber

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** William Byhower [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:33:15 AM  
**Subject:** [EXT] Traps and the public don't mix!-Tell Game Commission to ban all trapping please!

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This is wrong:

If these inadequate proposals stand, New Mexico will still allow unlimited killing of any "furbearing" species like foxes, bobcats and badgers, so trappers can make as much money as possible from the sale of their pelts. Wildlife species will still be caught by mistake, including endangered animals like the Mexican wolf. The by-catch of unintended species like javelina, cougars, bears, squirrels, porcupines and birds will still go unrecorded and uncounted. Trappers will still not be held liable if a canine companion is hurt as a result of being trapped or if a human is injured rescuing their dog.

*William F. Byhower*  
*New Mexico State University*

**From:** Charles Clements [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 02:29:46 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Traps on public lands

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Having grown up in the Rocky Mountains, I'm pretty familiar with various kinds of traps. None of them have any intelligence. All trap whatever triggers the trap; all animals and humans can trigger them. Public lands are called that because they are open to the public. Hence any traps on public lands are a public hazard. They kill, maim or hold the victim so that they are helpless against a predator. To use them is at the very least criminal assault. At the worst the use is homicide. Traps should only used on private lands and those lands should be fenced and marked thoroughly.

Please eliminate the use of traps on public lands. If a person makes his living from trapping, he should do it like the rest of us: he should present on site while he/she is working! We do not allow the random use of public lands for business enterprise; trapping is a business enterprise.

Thanks for your time.

Charles Clements



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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 03:15:57 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT]

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Please ban traps--they do so much harm and no barrier stands between them and their victims. The way we have conducted ourselves toward animals in their natural environment is deplorable and unless people wake up to the consequences of their impunity before much longer, there will be nothing left of the ecosystem as we once knew it! Please have a consideration of the creatures who pay for these trapping practices with their lives.

Thank you for your attention,  
Susann McCarthy  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sharon Hall [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:32:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Sharon Hall

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Romeo Rocha [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:32:52 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

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It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Romeo Rocha

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:32:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Jane Montonen [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 10:21 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

As an individual fighting animal cruelty and unnecessary suffering, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Jane Montonen

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:30:33 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Catherine Frizat [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 3:06 PM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

As a citizen, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

While the new rules would take some small positive steps (like clarifying that poisons are banned, closing four minuscule areas of land to traps, and requiring trappers to complete a trapper education course), ultimately the proposals leave the vast majority of public lands in New Mexico open for perilous leg-hold traps, lethal snares, and deadly "Conibear" body-gripping traps.

They also increase the risk to the public and our ecosystem through measures like drastically expanding trapping seasons for raccoons and nutria, allowing them to be killed year-round; and requiring that traps set in water be fully submerged, hidden beneath the surface.

The proposed rules also continue to allow unlimited furbearer animals to be trapped—trappers can still kill and profit off as many furbearer animals as they want, without "bag limits."

This is unacceptable. The majority of New Mexicans and US citizens oppose traps and snares: they are cruel, indiscriminate, they are a public safety hazard, and they are a drain on native wildlife populations for private profit.

I urge you to take the necessary steps to address those concerns by enacting new, sensible regulations.

Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Catherine Frizat

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:31:43 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Stacy Gilson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 10:58 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

As a Wisconsinite, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. There is no place in this world that needs to trap, torture and kill living breathing animals for fur. This is absolutely not needed on any level.

ANIMALS ARE NOT FASHION

Sincerely,  
Stacy Gilson

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:32:39 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Mary Shabbott [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 10:09 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.  
Traps are cruel: Trapped animals are subject to prolonged pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, predation, dislocation, self-amputation, and emotional trauma.  
It is sadistic and should have already been banned.

Sincerely,  
Mary Shabbott

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:32:06 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Laura Ramirez [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 10:29 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

Please STOP using snares! It is cruel, inhumane, and absolutely NOT the answer!

As an evolved species, we should know that torture and cruelty is not what humans do to other humans or animals.

Please don't turn a blind eye to snares and eliminate the snares once and for all! And prosecute those who still use them.

Sincerely,  
Laura Ramirez

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:32:34 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Kristen Balzer [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 10:07 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

I have been an avid hiker for 13 years because of my two dogs. The stress of hiking, which usually takes away stress, is because of New Mexico's archaic and cruel leg hold traps. As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Your weak language does nothing to prevent animals (including mine) from being trapped in such a grotesque manner.

Kristen Balzer  
Albuquerque NM

Sincerely,  
Kristen Balzer

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:32:13 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Linda Anderson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 10:22 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

As a former New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. This is a cruel way to obtain animals. We are slowly becoming a "fur free" society. Let New Mexico lead the way. Fur belongs only on the animals that wear it. Thank you

Sincerely,  
Linda Anderson

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:31:38 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Karen Schmidt [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 11:25 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

As an AMERICAN, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. How dare you put cruel traps on public land where anyone and everyone could get hurt? And this goes for the wild animals that have made this their home. Traps are cruel, indiscriminate and unsafe. They should be banned everywhere, but especially on public lands. I know I am not from New Mexico, but that doesn't mean I won't be visiting.

Sincerely,  
Karen Schmidt

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:32:44 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** KEN Bugler [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 9:52 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

While hiking in the Sange de Cristos I have seen unattended traps with dead wildlife rotting. Traps are left baited and unsupervised. This has allowed for undesired killings of various animals including pets.

Sincerely,  
KEN Bugler

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:32:20 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Lisa Mazzola [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 10:17 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

As a lifelong animal welfare and protection advocate and activist, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land--or anywhere.

I call for immediately changes to stop this SAVAGE CRUELTY. NONE of the proposed changes are sufficient.

Torture and savagery inflicted upon ANY nonhuman life for ANY reason by ignorant, ecologically useless human parasites is beyond unacceptable!

Sincerely,  
Lisa Mazzola

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:32:00 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** RR Mier [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 10:40 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

As a Future New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. There are so many instances of the wrong animals and people getting caught and injured with traps forgotten about or just left, at a time traps served a purpose but with so many people using public lands for the thrill of just seeing nature and the way it used to be before complete ecosystems were changed to benefit man and his quest for riches but today's public have different values but the laws on public lands haven't kept pace

Sincerely,  
RR Mier

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:30:47 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Deborah Mackie [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 2:53 PM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

Snares on public lands is barbaric, cruel, heartless, unnecessary. Stop this action.

Sincerely,  
Deborah Mackie

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:31:53 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Marilyn Erickson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 10:44 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

As Someone who spends half the year in NM I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

New Mexico's beauty & wildlife is diminished by the horror of this practice. I don't understand how anyone could be in favor of allowing it to continue.

Sincerely,  
Marilyn Erickson

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:32:49 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Ronald Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 9:46 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

As a human being, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. In my opinion, only true cretins trap or ensnare animals. It is a cruel and inhumane activity.

Sincerely,  
Ronald Johnson

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:33:09 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Laura West [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 9:26 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

As a human being, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Laura West

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:30:53 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Marina Sagardua [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 2:24 PM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Marina Sagardua

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:31:00 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Cynthia Harrington [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 2:24 PM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

Why does anyone need to be told this is a BARBARIC practice? I urge you to watch a video of an innocent animal being trapped in one of these torture devices and see if you're not moved? This has to end! Now!

As a New Mexican (human being), I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. If you have a soul you'll outlaw this

Sincerely,  
Cynthia Harrington

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:31:08 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Gina Giaccardo [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 1:45 PM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

As an enrolled member of San Felipe Pueblo, I'm writing to express my opposition to traps and snares anywhere in New Mexico. Trapping is a grotesque and exploitative practice, and must be completely banned ASAP.

We should be protecting our precious Indigenous animals. Trapping animals subjects them to prolonged pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, predation, dislocation, self-amputation, and emotional trauma. They are critically important sustainers of New Mexico ecosystems, and should always be respected as such.

Trappers are no better than animal killing contest participants. They treat New Mexico's animals as if they exist solely to satisfy their profits and bloodlust, and should be stopped from further destroying wildlife populations.

Please consider strong, decisive changes to trapping and "furbearer" laws. It's important for New Mexico to look toward the future, and take the lead on how our country protects wildlife and the environment.

Sincerely,  
Gina Giaccardo

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:31:15 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Kari Edenfield [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 12:10 PM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

I formally request as your constituent and a native New Mexican that we do the right thing as a state and ban and eliminate traps and snares completely and entirely from all public lands. I'm sure you're already familiar with all of the reasons and justifications behind my request and that I am far from alone in wanting this for our state, so I'll keep this brief and respect your time. Thank you for your consideration and positive action and for taking my request to heart.

Sincerely,  
Kari Edenfield

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:31:21 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** barbara apgar [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 12:06 PM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

As a former New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. The traps are inhumane and are indiscriminate in their killing. Animals caught in the traps suffer beyond measure. I urge you to stop this proposed brutal trapping. The majority of people in New Mexico oppose what you are proposing. I grew up in NM and am very disappointed that the Game and Fish Dept has proposed such a barbaric killing.  
B Apgar MD

Sincerely,  
barbara apgar  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:31:27 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Sara Azimi [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 11:58 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

I'm horrified that this practice is legal on any land let alone on public lands! These traps are akin to land mines - indiscriminate killing. Its a shame that a state like New Mexico that places such high value on our wilderness and wildlife allows this.

Sincerely,  
Sara Azimi

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:31:33 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Anna Brewer [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 11:17 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

None of the proposed changes by the Game & Fish Department would fundamentally change why a very large majority oppose traps and snares:

Traps are very cruel: trapped animals are subject to prolonged pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, predation, dislocation, self-amputation, and emotional trauma.

Traps are indiscriminate: Traps frequently maim and kill non-target animals and there are many such instances across the state. Traps can catch animals as small as chipmunks. In New Mexico, non-target animals that have been killed or maimed by leghold traps include black bears, Mexican gray wolves (over 40 incidents), owls, and mountain lions.

Traps are a public safety hazard: Along with non-target wildlife, leghold traps have injured and killed domestic dogs or cats in nearly every county in New Mexico.

Trapping is a drain on native wildlife populations for private profit: For only \$20 (\$9 for juniors), a trapper is given free rein to wreak havoc on native furbearer populations! There are no bag limits for furbearers in New Mexico and any trapper can kill as many animals as he wants—selling the pelts, depending on the species, for up to several hundred dollars each, profiting off the wildlife held in trust for all New Mexicans!

Please amend your proposed insufficient changes !

Sincerely,  
Anna Brewer

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:30:40 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Jeffry Hanus [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 3:00 PM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

Dear Commissioners,

As the Board President and CEO of the New Mexico Wildlife Center, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps are cruel. Trapped animals are subject to prolonged pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, predation, dislocation, self-amputation, and emotional trauma. This bobcat found near La Jencia represents such suffering. It is not uncommon for leghold traps to be found with only a paw/foot left in them. The survival of these trap victims is questionable.

Traps are indiscriminate. Traps frequently maim and kill non-target animals and there are many such instances across the state. Traps can catch animals as small as chipmunks. In New Mexico, non-target animals that have been killed or maimed by leghold traps include black bears, Mexican gray wolves (over 40 incidents), owls, and mountain lions. One caller to Animal Protection of New Mexico's Cruelty Hotline reported finding and releasing an injured raven caught in a trap. Many other species are at risk, including domestic animals...

Traps are a public safety hazard. Along with non-target wildlife, leghold traps have injured and killed domestic dogs or cats in nearly every county in New Mexico. Last year at least two dogs (Roxy and Ranger) were killed by traps in the state and a handful more were injured (Kekoa was among multiple dogs that lost a leg). Data from reported incidents on public lands show that traps threaten all New Mexicans and their companion animals, not just those who recreate near populated areas of the state.

Trapping is a drain on native populations for private profit. For only \$20 (\$9 for juniors), a trapper is given free rein to wreak havoc on native furbearer populations. There are no bag limits for furbearers in New Mexico and any trapper can kill as many animals as he wants—selling the pelts, depending on the species, for up to several hundred dollars each, profiting off the wildlife held in trust for all New Mexicans.

Thank you for reading my comments. Please consider banning trapping altogether, for the above valid reasons.

Sincerely,

Jeffry Hanus,  
Board President and CEO,  
New Mexico Wildlife Center

Sincerely,  
Jeffry Hanus

[REDACTED]

**From:** Lee Walters [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:38:57 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban leghold traps.

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

There is so much useless pain and suffering in the world. The harm done to one part of creation harms the souls of us all. It's time to do whatever we can to move the world in the direction of compassion. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Lee Walters

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Poki Piottin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:59:16 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit the Traping, Snaring and Poisoning of Wildlife

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I am an organic farmer in New Mexico.

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Poki Piottin

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Mike Sharber [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:48:40 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

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It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Mike Sharber

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bernd Deve [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:02:32 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Bernd Deve

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Johna Foreman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:01:25 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Johna Foreman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marguerite Wood [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:58:19 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Marguerite Wood

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Scott Messick [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:53:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Scott Messick

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Marilyn Rose [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:58:31 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Marilyn Rose

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Kathie Jarrett [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:46:31 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Kathie Jarrett

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Randy Diner [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:52:54 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Randy Diner

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Uphoria Blackham [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:00:19 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Uphoria Blackham

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** William Groll [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:05:51 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

William Groll

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Victoria Linehan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:01:41 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Victoria Linehan

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Liz Aicher [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:03:26 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Liz Aicher

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Cooperrider [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:00:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Carol Cooperrider

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Gay Block [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:07:04 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Gay Block

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Philip Ciaffa [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:07:46 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Philip Ciaffa

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Daniel Padilla [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:08:20 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Daniel Padilla

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Stephanie Fuchs [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:36:53 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

As a proud New Mexican, I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Stephanie Fuchs

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Donna Kwilosz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:39:03 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Donna Kwilosz

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Gail Jane Schwartz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:39:37 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Gail Jane Schwartz

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Ken Barr [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:40:53 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Ken Barr

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Joan Meilleur [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:41:03 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Joan Meilleur

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Ehrlich [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:44:17 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Barbara Ehrlich

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Gilbert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:44:25 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Barbara Gilbert

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Jill Rounds [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:36:32 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Jill Rounds

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Ross Lockridge [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:38:04 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stop allowing leg trapping, Poisoning, & Snareing

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I too am requesting that New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state.

Hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, but trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps.

Of course family dogs and Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and death.

Trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

Please ban traps, snares and poisons and do so statewide.

Sincerely,

Ross Lockridge

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:33:15 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Denise Lytle [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 9:27 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

As a someone who does not live in New Mexico, but cares deeply about wildlife and animal welfare, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps are extremely cruel and can often trap unintended animals, like pet dogs...even humans! There is no good reason to allow such cruelty to continue.

Sincerely,  
Denise Lytle

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:34:00 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Karen Shanley [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 9:26 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

I'm a Coloradan but I support protecting wildlife and our environment from cruel and thoughtless ways of managing public land., I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Karen Shanley

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:33:21 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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**From:** Tim Duda [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 11, 2019 9:30 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner Jimmy Bates,

Public land must be kept safe for people and animals. Traps and snares are cruel and inhumane and their use must be strictly regulated. Altering the plant/animal balance negatively impacts the eco-system. Individuals should not be allowed to trap on land supported and maintained through public coffers. The very minimal licensing fee is certainly no justification for upsetting the natural balance on public lands. Animal suffering for the profit of a few is an outrage that is why we need much stronger regulatory control and the complete discontinuation of trapping on public property.

Sincerely,  
Tim Duda

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bruce Hofkin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:13:21 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please do the right thing.

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

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Sincerely,

Bruce Hofkin

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Billie Dennis [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:10:47 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Billie Dennis

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Dennis Holland [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:26:04 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Dennis Holland

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Maureen Havey [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:33:50 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

It's clear that some members of the NMGC staff cannot uphold meaningful changes, so eventually a total ban will happen, it's just a matter of time.

Hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Traps, snares and poisons must be banned statewide.

Sincerely,

Maureen Havey

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Gail Powell [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:28:31 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Gail Powell

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Loretta Shiver [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:25:51 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Loretta Shiver

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Mike Hasson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:28:16 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Mike Hasson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Gary Cascio [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:27:24 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

It is time to put the past behind us. New Mexico no longer needs to allow this barbaric practice to continue. Please enact a statewide ban today!

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Sincerely,

Gary Cascio

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Morgan Hibberd [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:29:44 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Morgan Hibberd

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Brita Sauer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:27:46 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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As a long-time resident of New Mexico, I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Brita Sauer

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Thomasine Montoya [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:21:02 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Thomasine Montoya

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Bartelt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:20:59 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Carol Bartelt

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Arifa Goodman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:33:59 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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As a New Mexican who got trapped myself while releasing one of my two trapped dogs, I know how dangerous these traps are on our public lands. Every person with dogs who hikes, works or travels through our public lands can end the day with large vet and/or doctor bills, maimed pets, and a major disruption to one's well being and peace of mind out in our beautiful wild lands. The incident I described above happened nine years ago. I still have damaged fingers on my left hand. We, and our wildlife neighbors, certainly don't deserve these barbaric instruments of torture potentially lurking under every bush.

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Sincerely,

Arifa Goodman

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Kain [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:29:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Carol Kain

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Jean Crawford [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:11:56 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Jean Crawford

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Edward LeBlanc [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:35:16 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Edward LeBlanc

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Donna Sinn [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:35:29 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Donna Sinn

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Karin Berger [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:35:33 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Karin Berger

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Danielle Sedillo-Cafferty [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:36:01 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Danielle Sedillo-Cafferty

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Michael Flood [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:37:25 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Michael Flood

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Kornbau [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:38:23 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Karen Kornbau

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bobbie Watilo [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:40:36 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Bobbie Watilo

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Rebecca Lowndes [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:14:03 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Rebecca Lowndes

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary Orr [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:43:18 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Mary Orr

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Ronald Groves [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:43:34 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Ronald Groves

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Barry Smock [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:14:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Barry Smock

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Denise Holland [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:15:49 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Denise Holland

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Jan Voorhees [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:16:46 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Jan Voorhees

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Roman Lopez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:19:38 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Roman Lopez

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Sandra Jackson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:20:31 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Sandra Jackson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Julie Valdez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:20:43 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Julie Valdez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Bruce Donnell [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:10:07 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Bruce Donnell

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bruce Madden [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:27:27 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons how

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It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. No one should be allowed to murder wildlife except legitimate hunters feeding their families. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Bruce Madden

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Caroline Sévilla [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:22:21 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Caroline Sévilla

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Victoria Linehan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:19:41 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

I strongly oppose traps & snares on public lands. I am a New Mexico resident.

Traps kill non-target species. They are brutal in the suffering they cause. Any animal that escapes, ie chews its foot off, most likely has a dire outcome. I have had neighbor's whose dogs have been caught in these while out on a hike or horseback ride. It is long overdue that these traps be banned. Please be progressive.

Sincerely,  
Victoria Linehan

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rg Kinsey [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:05:18 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] NO MORE Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I implore the New Mexico Game Commission to ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state.

Animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer horrific painful injuries and death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food. This is absolutely unconscionable.

It is time to move forward and totally ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support for making this humane decision.

Sincerely,

Rg Kinsey

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Jeff Clark [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:03:04 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Jeff Clark

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Basler [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:44:44 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Why is a tiny minority allowed to run roughshod over people and wildlife in our state? Stop this dangerous cruelty!

Sincerely,

Barbara Basler

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Gerke [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:45:18 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Susan Gerke

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Nakakihara [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:59:11 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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I can't believe this is still happening. This is cruel and indiscriminate. I urge you to stop the use of trapping and poisoning in the state of New Mexico.

Sincerely,

Karen Nakakihara

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** April Woolley [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:59:51 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

April Woolley

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Dyan Merick [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:59:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

California has banned the sale of fur. That's a good thing. Will soon happen here as well.

Sincerely,

Dyan Merick

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Rebecca Shankland [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:59:07 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Rebecca Shankland

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Landon Young [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:59:43 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Landon Young

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Templeton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:04:26 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Carol Templeton

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Deanna Draudt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:05:15 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Deanna Draudt

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** DeWitt Henderson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:45:31 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

DeWitt Henderson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Ellen Pinsky [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:46:34 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Ellen Pinsky

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Nate Faust-Shucker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:48:34 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Nate Faust-Shucker

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Jessica Jakubanis [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:48:53 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Jessica Jakubanis

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Lisa Humbert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:49:46 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Lisa Humbert

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Phillip Delaplaine [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:56:44 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Phillip Delaplaine

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** GERARD VACHEZ [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:56:55 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

GERARD VACHEZ

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan peirce [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:44:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Susan peirce

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** sau tsang [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:45:27 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,

sau tsang

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Fred Eiland [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:09:48 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons! It's inhumane and I don't understand why the New Mexico Game Commission and Department of Fish and Wildlife allow it. It's opposed by the vast majority of New Mexicans and it needs to stop!

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Sincerely,

Fred Eiland

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Nancy Mory [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:50:10 AM

**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] These traps and snares are the most inhumane way of trapping an Innocent animal for fur. Please make it illegal to use these instruments of torture for the wild and domestic animals who are the unfortunates. Snares and Poisons must be made illegal.

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Sincerely,

Nancy Mory

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Nikhil Kulkarni MD [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:53:07 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Nikhil Kulkarni MD

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elayne Patton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:54:00 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. The pain and suffering caused by these traps is unimaginable. The indiscriminate nature is criminal. This outdated, inhumane "custom" must be reconsidered. It's time to shine a new light on New Mexico.

Sincerely,  
Elayne Patton

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Marion [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:10:06 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Carol Marion

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Shari Hirst [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:12:11 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Trapping animals is inhuman - you wouldn't want it done to you. If we as human beings allow nature to balance itself, it will. When will humans learn that when we interfere with the balance of nature we cause problems.

Sincerely,

Shari Hirst

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** William Mader [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:10:10 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I used to be an avid hunter and I appreciate wildlife. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. This is extremely cruel and directly reflects on the quality and ethics of our society.

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Sincerely,

William Mader

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** John DeYoung [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:08:34 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

John DeYoung

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Allyson Bennett-Martinez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:10:53 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Allyson Bennett-Martinez

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Charlene Mcdermott [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:29:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Charlene Mcdermott

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Charlie Watkins [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:20:55 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Charlie Watkins

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Patricia Foschi [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:43:40 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Patricia Foschi

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** R.A.L. West [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:37:52 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

R.A.L. West

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Rebecca Rose [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:25:26 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Rebecca Rose

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Todd Monson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:45:33 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Todd Monson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Paula Krogdahl [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:28:42 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Paula Krogdahl

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Donna Roxey [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:27:20 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Donna Roxey

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**From:** Eric Smith [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps.

Nontarget animals like family dogs continue to suffer injuries and even death. I am very afraid that my dog will get caught during one of our hikes and I won't be able to remove him.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Eric Smith

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New Mexico Department of Game & Fish  
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Date: 12/3/19

Re: Proposed Changes 19.32.2 NMAC Trapping and Furbearers – Method, Season Dates, and Bag Limits

The New Mexico Farm & Livestock Bureau (NMF&LB) would like to formally submit the following comments pertaining to the proposed changes to 19.31.2 NMAC Trapping and Furbearers – Method, Season Dates, and Bag Limits. The NMF&LB is New Mexico's largest agricultural organization, representing 19,000 member families who are actively involved in agricultural production including dairy, livestock, fruits and vegetables. Our mission is to promote and protect agriculture in the great State of New Mexico. The NMF&LB advocates on behalf of and represents our members' interests when it comes to impeding regulations.

The NMF&LB does not support the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish's proposed rule. NMF&LB has major concern with the proposed authority which allows the director, with verbal concurrence of the chairperson, to set bag limits on a given species for one year. The proposed rule does not include justification or requirements for a bag limit to be set. This is cause for worry, as bag limits could be implemented without significant scientific data. The Department needs to make their decisions based in scientific evidence, not social pressures.

Farmers and ranchers must be able to continue protecting their livestock. Many ranchers use trapping as a means of depredation. Predators often harass and create great stress in livestock, be they cattle, sheep or other. Often times, livestock are killed by predators quite gruesomely. Predators target weaker, or younger livestock. Bag limits could prove to be detrimental to farmers, ranchers and landowners throughout the state as they could be prohibited from dealing with certain predators should a bag limit be imposed.

The New Mexico Farm & Livestock Bureau appreciates the opportunity to share the concerns of our organization and our stakeholders. We respectfully request that the comments and concerns of New Mexico's farmers, ranchers and landowners be taken into consideration as you make your decisions on the proposed rule changes to the Trapping and Furbearer Rule.

Respectfully submitted,

NM Farm & Livestock Bureau



**Northern New Mexico Group**  
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August 21, 2019

Dear State Game Commission Chair Joanna Prukop and Commissioners,

A segment in the NMDGF presentation for tomorrow has raised concerns regarding the proposed Furbearer Trapping Rule:

The Wildlife Society recognizes that trapping and sustained harvest of furbearers is a safe, effective method of managing and studying furbearers. Trapping of furbearers has been a part of the Department's approach to modern furbearer management, and the regulations and rules the Department has put in place have ensured that populations of furbearer species have persisted, and in some cases expanded, in the state.

The Northern New Mexico group has supported The Wildlife Society, NM Chapter in the past and hosted a national field trip for wildlife biologists to the Valles Caldera National Preserve to study best management practices in 2017.

We think the Society's *Standing Position on Traps, Trapping and Furbearer Management* needs to be examined carefully as to its' intent:

[https://wildlife.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/SP\\_TrapsTrappingandFurbearerManagement.pdf](https://wildlife.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/SP_TrapsTrappingandFurbearerManagement.pdf)

Excerpts from 11 points:

5. Recognize that animals can be injured by some traps and trapping systems and that ethical trapping requires using traps that kill animals quickly or capture and restrain animals in systems that reduce or eliminate injuries. This can be accomplished through: (a) regulatory and educational programs, (b) research that evaluates and improves trap performance, and (c) implementing acceptable and effective improvements in trapping technology, further reducing injury to captured animals while maintaining acceptable trapping efficiency and safety to users.

6. Promote development of improved traps, trapping systems, and additional methods of taking furbearing animals. Support the development of Best Management Practices (BMPs) for trapping in the United States, under the auspices of the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, and encourage state wildlife agencies to promote the use of BMPs in state furbearer management and trapper outreach programs. Support the sustainable use of furbearer resources in carefully regulated management programs.

8. Recognize that significant opposition to trapping exists, in North America and abroad. Advocate research on furbearers, trappers, trapping methods, and attitudes of publics toward trapping to advance understanding and facilitate resolution of controversial issues and problems associated with furbearer management.

Our group members support a diversity of lifestyles, and urge the Commission to carefully consider the safeguards implied in The Wildlife Society *Standing Position on Traps, Trapping and Furbearer Management* and change the proposed Rule to address:

1. The inability to enforce trapper behavior or use of humane practices with the current level of Conservation officers
2. The inability to prevent animal suffering if leg-hold and body gripping traps are allowed
3. The inability to prevent illegal by-catch of non-target species using leg-hold and body gripping traps
4. The persistent use of public trails (not only trailheads) as locations for placing traps as well as along streams where the public is likely to be present
5. The general under reporting of harvests by trappers, and non-reporting of by-catch that prevents accurate data gathering of trapping impacts on many furbearer species

In its place, a new rule should encompass the intent of professional wildlife managers and researchers that only humane trapping be permitted for research and management purposes and that healthy populations of species is the primary goal.

Trapping is inherently indiscriminate and problematic in today's environment, and like commercial fishing has already died out in many areas as populations have been over-harvested. With current **no bag limits** on most furbearer species and many documented **animal cruelty cases**, we need a serious review and regulation of this practice.



Bobcat trapped next to stream and left to starve.  
(Photo courtesy of Animal Protection New Mexico, 2019)

It is our mutual responsibility as New Mexicans to ensure that the state's wildlife is managed with the very real threat of species harm and decline from human activities always at the forefront of management decision-making.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Teresa Seamster". The ink is dark and the signature is written in a fluid, personal style.

Teresa Seamster  
Chair, Northern New Mexico Group  
Rio Grande Chapter of Sierra Club





September 17, 2019

The Honorable Martin Heinrich  
303 Hart Senate Office Building  
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Dear Senator Heinrich:

The Sportsmen's Alliance is a national organization that has been leading the way to protect and preserve our outdoor heritage for over 40 years. The New Mexico State Game Commission has recently proposed a rule that will ban trapping on an undisclosed amount of acreage of public land. The Sportsmen's Alliance, along with a growing coalition of New Mexico state based groups, are asking you to join us in opposing this action. (Commission's Trapping and Furbearer Rule Development 19.32.2 NMAC)

At the Commission's August 22nd meeting, the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish described new restrictions in which trapping setbacks would be expanded to one half mile from trails, picnic areas, campgrounds and road side rest areas. Under current regulations, an individual can trap 25 yards off of trails and trail heads and a quarter of a mile away from roadside rest areas and picnic areas. This rule proposal would also ban land set traps from being used on the following public property:

- The Sandia Ranger District,
- The Eastern portion of Organ Mountain-Desert Peaks National Monument,
- Forest Service lands within one half mile of NM Hwy 475 on the Santa Fe National Forest and NM Hwy 150 on the Carson National Forest

While safety is of the utmost importance, a one half mile set back is extreme and a huge, untold number of acreage will be affected by this proposal. Our organization has reached out to the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish and have asked for the amount of acres that would be affected and were told that they did not know. At the very least, the public should be made aware of how many acres that this rule will affect before even considering moving forward. With setbacks already in place to protect people and their property, it would seem that the New Mexico State Game Commission is only trying to appease anti trapping legislators who made trapping bans one of their legislative priorities during the past legislative session but were defeated.

Access to quality land is one of the top reasons that sportsmen and women limit or quit outdoor activities such as trapping. When participation drops or ends altogether, much needed revenue to local economies as well as revenue to the state through the sale of licenses and permits will decline. Why would anyone eliminate trapping on huge swaths of public land where trappers can help stop the spread of disease and aid in the prevention of livestock and pet depredation at no cost to the taxpayer?



It is for these reasons we again ask you join our growing coalition and urge the New Mexico State Game Commission to reject the Trapping and Furbearer Rule Development 19.32.2 NMAC, rule proposal. I would be happy to discuss the matter with you further should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Luke Houghton".

Luke Houghton  
Associate Director of State Services



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**New Mexico State Game Commission**

Michael Sloane, Director  
**New Mexico Department of Game and Fish**

Victor Reyes, Legislative Director for Governor Lujan Grisham  
**Office of the Governor**

via Electronic Mail

Dear Director Sloane, Chair Prukop, members of the New Mexico Game Commission, and Mr. Reyes,

On behalf of TrapFree New Mexico, a coalition of non-profit conservation and animal protection organizations that have been working to reform trapping and furbearer species policy in New Mexico for 11 years, and each organization's members and supporters in New Mexico, we respectfully submit these comments on the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish's (NMDGF) most recent set of proposed changes to the Trapping and Furbearer Rule, dated August 29, 2019 ("Proposal").

Overall, the Proposal represents an inadequate effort to protect native wildlife, public lands, and companion animals, and one which various members of NMDGF and the Commission have stated publicly is intended to "preserve the future of trapping" despite opposition from the majority of New Mexicans. A ban on commercial, recreational, and unrestricted private depredation trapping across all of New Mexico's public lands is the most effective way to align wildlife policy with the will of our state's citizens, the best available science, and a 21<sup>st</sup> century ethic of coexistence, whether through administrative rulemaking or legislation.

### **Animal Cruelty**

The American Veterinary Medical Association and the American Animal Hospital Association oppose routine trapping primarily because of the injuries, trauma, and suffering inflicted upon trapped animals.<sup>1</sup> Eight states have prohibitions on leghold traps, 14 have prohibitions on Conibear body-gripping traps, and 21 have prohibitions on snares. New Mexico's neighboring state of Arizona prohibits all of these devices on public land,<sup>2</sup> and northern neighbor Colorado prohibits them statewide.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> American Veterinary Medical Association, 2017. Trapping and Steel-jawed Leghold Traps. <https://www.avma.org/KB/Policies/Pages/Trapping-and-Steel-jawed-Leghold-Traps.aspx>; American Animal Hospital Association, 2014. AAHA position statements and endorsements, leghold traps. <https://www.aaha.org/about-aaha/aaha-position-statements/leghold-traps/>

<sup>2</sup> Arizona Game and Fish. (2019). Arizona game and fish commission rules. [www.azgfd.gov/](http://www.azgfd.gov/)

Despite numerous modifications, most traps can cause serious injury and suffering, including broken legs, dislocated shoulders, lacerations, torn muscles, cuts to mouths and gums, broken teeth, fractures, amputation of digits, and death.<sup>4</sup> An animal trapped on land may suffer from psychological stress and/or pain, starvation, dehydration, predation, or exposure to severe weather.<sup>5</sup> If captured in aquatic traps, animals adapted to swimming and diving for long periods such as beavers and river otters can slowly suffer from hypoxia even if they struggle before drowning.

Conibear traps, intended to kill animals instantly by snapping the spinal column at the base of the neck, often mis-strike, and injured animals frequently escape from them. Studies show that Conibear traps generally kill less than 15 percent of trapped animals instantly and more than 40 percent usually die slow, painful deaths as unintended body parts such as abdomens, heads or limbs are smashed and crushed between the trap bars.<sup>6</sup>

The nature of animal suffering caused by traps differs from traditional hunting practices, in which a hunter is present to identify his or her target (and can discriminate between the target and non-targets) and uses skill to take precise aim at the animal in order to minimize suffering.

The Department of Game and Fish is citing trapping "Best Management Practices" (BMPs) in its presentations about trapping. These recommendations are not based on unbiased science, but instead based on voluntary reports and anecdotes from trappers and trapping advocates alone. The parameters used to judge animal suffering are arbitrary, and BMPs continue to allow terrible suffering as acceptable. BMPs were developed in response to the threat from the European Union to prohibit the importation of pelts from trapped animals because of significant concerns about animal welfare. But the very devices that the EU sought to prohibit were then conveniently found by those involved in the research to be acceptable after all. The BMP program has been criticized by independent scientists, wildlife professionals, and animal advocacy organizations as unscientific, self-serving, non-transparent, and designed to simply make trapping palatable to the broader public.<sup>7</sup>

Upon discovery by a trapper, wildlife can be killed in horrific manners in part to preserve fur and pelt intactness. Commonly used methods include strangling, drowning, bludgeoning and chest stomping.

While lamination, offsets, swivels, and anchors may offer incremental improvements, these and other changes in the Proposal ultimately will not sufficiently change the likelihood of suffering in leghold traps, nor can the Proposal adequately ensure that Conibear traps actually instantly kill animals. The Proposal also continues to allow trappers to kill trapped animals in unimaginably cruel ways.

## **Public Safety on Public Lands**

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<sup>3</sup> Colorado Parks and Wildlife. (n.d.). Furbearers and small game, except migratory birds; Article I – General provisions. [www.cpw.state.co.us/Documents/RulesRegs/](http://www.cpw.state.co.us/Documents/RulesRegs/)

<sup>4</sup> Phillips, R. L., et al. 1990. Leg injuries to coyotes in three types of foothold traps. *Wildlife Society Bulletin* 18: 166-175.

<sup>5</sup> Iossa, G., C. D. Soulsbury, and S. Harris. 2007. Mammal trapping: a review of animal welfare standards of killing and restraining traps. *Animal Welfare* 16: 335-352

<sup>6</sup> H. C. Lunn. "The Conibear Trap—Recommendations for its Improvement," Humane Trap Development Committee of Canada, Canadian Federation of Humane Societies. 1973.

<sup>7</sup> Fox, Camilla, 2009. Trapped in Debate. *Animal Welfare Institute quarterly letter* <https://awionline.org/awi-quarterly/2009-summer/trapped-debate>; Harrop, S.R. 2000. The trapping of wild mammals and attempts to legislate for animal suffering in international standards. *Journal of Environmental Law*, 12:333-360

Only ~175,000 acres, or 0.5 percent of public lands in New Mexico, would be affected by the four closures proposed. That is a miniscule amount of the total land on which New Mexicans hike, bike, fish, hunt, camp, and watch wildlife. Department staff say that these are “high recreation use areas,” but have provided no data to differentiate these areas from the countless other public lands across the state that New Mexicans use. Moreover, there is no data to suggest that these areas are actually more prone to negative trapping incidents than others.

While the Proposal’s closures may assuage the concerns of *some* urban New Mexicans that don’t venture far from home, they leave countless others vulnerable to encounters. Many New Mexicans and tourists alike enjoy utilizing public lands outside of the closure areas.

New Mexico’s growing outdoor recreation economy—reliant on our amazing public lands—is among our state’s greatest sustainable economic drivers and a priority of Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham. The creation of the Division of Outdoor Recreation is a step towards maximizing and promoting that financial resource. Our antiquated trapping rules are a threat to that economy. Maimed and killed companion animals and gruesome encounters with trapped, suffering wildlife are a blight on our reputation as a destination for outdoor recreation.

The increased setback around trailheads is welcome, but the omission of trails themselves is unconscionable. Department staff say that “trapper behavior” indicates that trappers won’t utilize trails because of the increased setback. Again, no data is provided to support this claim. If this claim is true, there is absolutely no reason that trails should not be closed entirely. At the same time, numerous incidents in past years where the public has found wildlife languishing in traps or experienced their dog caught in a trap have happened down-trail, miles beyond the trailhead.

If, as implied by closure areas and trailhead setbacks, traps represent a danger and a threat on New Mexico’s public lands, the real solution is a closure of all public lands. Closing some areas while leaving others unprotected is an inconsistency that favors some New Mexicans and leaves others exposed to the dangers and trauma imposed by traps.

### **Traps are Indiscriminate**

Traps are indiscriminate. This fact has been born out across the world, the country, and in New Mexico. Approximately 40 endangered Mexican gray wolves have been caught by non-government traps since 1998. Non-target animals including ravens, black bears, ungulates, javelinas, cougars (including spotted kittens), ground dwelling birds, protected squirrels and of course domestic dogs have been caught—sometimes injured, and sometimes killed—in New Mexico. Clarifying in the Proposal that it is unlawful to take certain species does not actually represent a change in outcome in the field.

Both leghold traps and Conibear traps have a high potential for capturing and/or killing non-target animals. Field studies of the Conibear 120 Magnum (used to trap small animals such as minks and pine martens) have shown that non-targeted species constitute more than 73 percent of all captures. Other information shows that between 2 and 10 non-targeted animals are trapped for every target animal captured. Still other studies found that non-targeted animals constitute between 56 percent and 76 percent of leghold trap captures.<sup>8</sup>

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<sup>8</sup> G. Proulx and M. W. Barrett. “Field Testing the C120 Magnum for Mink” Wildlife Society Bulletin 21 (1993): 421–426.

The only way to ensure that non-target animals—including endangered, threatened, non-game, and domestic animals—are not caught in traps is to eliminate traps from the landscape except when used or overseen by scientific professionals.

### **Decimation of Native Wildlife for Commercial and Private Profit**

The NMDGF supports the continuation of trapping native species without sufficient population data on furbearer species. Instead, NMDGF relies on faulty methods to gauge population health. In their presentations about population health, Department staff has insinuated that high bobcat mortalities implies a healthy population, but an increase in swift fox mortalities would be cause for concern—this is a baffling inconsistency. “Catch per unit effort” is cited by the Department as being acceptable for bobcats, but this data is only gathered from successful bobcat trappers which creates an inherent bias that compromises this assertion—there is no accounting for the number of unsuccessful trappers that never report this data. As a result, the primary pillar on which the Department bases its knowledge—and the subsequent broad lack of bag limits and annual kill limits—is the opinion of trappers. The NMDGF is catering to trappers’ wishes by relying on those same trappers to inform its understanding of how native species populations are faring.

Without any actual, scientific studies on furbearer populations, we cannot know that trapping is not or will not harm these populations. We are living through the sixth mass extinction event in Earth's history. In New Mexico’s fragile ecosystems, drought and other climate change implications will possibly make native species’ existences that much more difficult. Biodiversity (both within populations and among different species) is key to the resilience of our ecosystems. There is no publicly available data to suggest that trapping is not harming that biodiversity and resilience.

Moreover, the persecution of native carnivores can have negative consequences for the biome. A study in the Henry Mountains of Utah found that jackrabbits were the main source of competition with cattle for fodder. Intensive culling of coyotes, the main predator of jackrabbits, to supposedly benefit cattle has implication for the vegetative community that underpins ecosystem health and productivity.<sup>9</sup>

The North American Model of Conservation, which is often cited by wildlife managers and policymakers, expressly seeks to eliminate markets for wildlife.<sup>10</sup> Yet the purpose of commercial trapping is for private trappers to profit from the sale of trapped animal pelts. Another tenet declares that science is the proper tool for the discharge of wildlife policy, yet scientific data about the population densities, trends and effects of trapping are largely lacking when it comes to the species in New Mexico exploited for their fur. In short, commercial and recreational trapping is inherently at odds with the North American Model.

The Department should have thorough, scientific, peer-reviewed studies on all native furbearer species populations if it is going to allow harvest of those species. Until that precautionary principle is satisfied, commercial and recreational trapping should cease.

### **Furbearer “Management”**

Trapping has been touted by Department staff as a “legitimate” and “valuable” wildlife management tool. However, the type and scope of trapping has not been specified nor are the reasons stated for its necessity.

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<sup>9</sup> Ranglack, Dustin H, et al. [J Appl Ecol](https://doi.org/10.1111/1365-2664.12386). 2015 Apr; 52(2): 467–474. Published online 2015 Jan 26. doi: [10.1111/1365-2664.12386](https://doi.org/10.1111/1365-2664.12386)

<sup>10</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/North\\_American\\_Model\\_of\\_Wildlife\\_Conservation](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/North_American_Model_of_Wildlife_Conservation)

There are no management plans for any trapped species, no stated goals, and no monitoring whether goals are being met, particularly for trapping by private individuals. New Mexico does not know the locations nor the number of traps set each year. Recreational and commercial trapping meets no known definition of the term "management" at all. Moreover, the majority of species trapped in New Mexico are self-regulating—populations are kept balanced by biological carrying capacity, social structures, and the establishment and defense of territories.

Trapping has not been shown to effectively protect against or mitigate livestock depredation concerns and in fact can exacerbate depredation risk when the rigid social structure of canid packs is disrupted by trapping.<sup>11</sup> Arizona and Colorado have both *heavily* restricted trapping and livestock depredation is not shown to have increased.<sup>12</sup>

Despite allusions to disease control by NMDGF staff during a presentation on the Proposal, a study on the Department's own website states that "[t]he influence of trapping on the occurrence and spread of wildlife diseases has not been established definitively."<sup>13</sup> According to the Centers for Disease Control, the National Academy of Sciences and the World Health Organization, as well as numerous other scientific, public health and veterinary organizations, there is no scientific evidence that trapping controls the spread of disease such as rabies.<sup>14</sup>

Because of social disruption, trapping can actually exacerbate disease outbreak as territories go up for grabs and the potential for physical contact caused by disputes between animals increases. The rabies outbreak in gray foxes in southwest New Mexico in 2008 followed an extremely high level of take by trappers. Over 1300 gray foxes were trapped and killed in Grant County alone in the 2007-2008 trapping season. It would appear that trapping not only didn't prevent the outbreak, but it may have instigated and worsened it. Uncoordinated, unplanned, and sporadic recreational and commercial trapping cannot be said to have value in mitigating wildlife diseases like rabies.

Furthermore, trappers do not prize animals culled naturally—typically the ill, aged, infirm, and very young—which can keep wildlife populations healthy. Instead, trappers work against natural selection by removing the healthiest animals with the best fur and discarding the unhealthy ones as by-catch.

Commercial and recreational trapping is not guided by science or driven by a goal. It doesn't follow a plan, and is not specific to any species or geographical region. Therefore, it cannot be characterized in the least as a legitimate wildlife management tool.

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<sup>11</sup> Comelio, Randy. Spring 2018. Using Coyotes to Protect Livestock. Wait. What?

[Oregon Small Farm News: Vol. XIII No. 2](#)

<sup>12</sup> [https://wildearthguardians.org/historical-archive/livestock-losses/;](https://wildearthguardians.org/historical-archive/livestock-losses/)

[https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal\\_health/nahms/general/downloads/cattle\\_calves\\_deathloss\\_2015.pdf](https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/nahms/general/downloads/cattle_calves_deathloss_2015.pdf)

<sup>13</sup> <http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/download/hunting/species/furbearers/Trapping-and-Furbearer-Management-in-North-American-Wildlife-Conservation.pdf>

<sup>14</sup> "Control of Rabies," National Research Council, Subcommittee on Rabies, National Academy of Sciences, Washington, D.C., 1973. Choisy M. and P. Rohani. 2006. Harvesting can increase severity of wildlife disease epidemics. *Proc.R.Soc.B* 273: 2025-2034 "Controlling Wildlife Rabies through Population Reduction: An Ineffective Method," *The Rabies Monitor*, Vol. 4, No.1, Spring 1996.

## Conclusion

**We see no evidence that commercial and recreational trapping provides any benefit to wildlife. It is prohibited in many areas of New Mexico such as national parks and some monuments, the Valles Caldera and even Game Commission owned lands already without negative consequences. For this reason—and given concerns about animal suffering, public safety, and wildlife exploitation—we find it unacceptable anywhere in our state. But it is especially egregious when it occurs on public lands because of the conflict it creates with public use and values. For these reasons, we find the Proposal to be inadequate, and at a minimum urge that the use of traps and snares for private, commercial, or unrestricted depredation purposes be restricted to private lands only.**

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

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Wildlife Chair  
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Nov. 14, 2019

New Mexico State Game Commission  
New Mexico Department of Game and Fish

Dear Commission and Department Officials,

This letter is to support the proposed new trapping rule as outlined in the Game and Fish Department's online summary and as presented to the State Game Commission and public during commission and public input meetings over several months of this year.

We note that many of the proposed changes were taken directly or adapted from recommendations that emerged from a months-long series of meetings of a trapping issues workgroup, in which a wide spectrum of organizations – including NMWF – were represented. The rule as proposed takes a number of meaningful steps toward alleviating some of the conflicts that exacerbate differences among those who trap and those who do not.

We also acknowledge that the rule will not satisfy those who want trapping banned from public lands altogether, or those who would prefer fewer restrictions. As to the former, NMWF has and continues to support regulated, ethical trapping as a legitimate use of a sustainable natural resource. As to the latter, NMWF supports the proposed rule in total. We specifically urge the enactment of extended setbacks from areas of high public use; the adaptations of the AFWA best-practices techniques; the extended raccoon season with the accompanying restrictions on trap types; the limitations on the use of poisons, and the existing requirement for daily trap checks.

Thank you for your work and the opportunity to comment on this proposed rule.

Sincerely,

John Crenshaw, NMWF Board Chairman

Jesse Deubel, NMWF Executive Director



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Sierra Soil and Water Conservation District

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New Mexico Department of Game and Fish  
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October 28, 2019

To Whom it May Concern,

The Sierra Soil and Water Conservation District (SSWCD), following the purpose and policy set forth by the Soil and Water Conservation Act in Section 73-20-26 to “...*conserve and develop the natural resources of the state, provide for flood control, preserve wildlife, protect the tax base and promote the health, safety and general welfare of the people of New Mexico.*”, supports legal trapping as a management technique to properly control predators on private and public lands. Proper predator control plays a crucial role in the management of cattle herds as well as in the management of game species.

The SSWCD submits the following comments in response to the proposed trapping and furbearer rule changes.

1. SSWCD recognizes the importance of trapping as a family tradition and acknowledges the desire to pass skills and knowledge of trapping to the next generation. We ask for clarification on the age requirements of the mandatory trapper education. According to the 2019-2020 big game proclamation: *New Mexico residents 12–17 years of age must purchase a Junior Trapper License to trap or hunt protected furbearers, however, a Hunter Education number is required to hunt (Mentored Youth number is not eligible.) New Mexico residents 11 years of age or younger do not need a license to trap or hunt protected furbearers.* The clarification we seek is at what age are youth required to pass the mandatory trapper education course. For consistency, we recommend setting the age requirement at 12.
2. SSWCD looks for further clarification on the required courses of mandatory trapper education for those only hunting protected furbearers, not trapping. What offered components, if any, will be required for hunting furbearers?
3. Under the proposed changes a land set trap must be ½ mile from occupied dwellings (unless permitted by the occupant or set by the occupant). SSWCD has concerns for those trapping on private property in areas that have multiple dwellings within the required setback distance. This event is highly probable when trapping protected furbearers on farming properties. A trapper may have permission from the private landowner but an adjacent property and dwelling may be within the set threshold. SSWCD asks for clarification on how these situations will be handled? Will the trapper be required to



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receive permission from all landowners within the ½ mile distance or solely the landowner that the traps are set on?

4. SSWCD has strong concerns with allowing the director to set a bag limit without specific reasoning behind the set limit. This specific reasoning shall not be based on social or political atmosphere but solely on scientific observations and data. The current proposed change does not specify the required reasoning behind the creation of the bag limit. We recommend that the proposed change read: *Based solely on the support of scientific data the director, with verbal concurrence of the chairperson, shall be allowed to set a bag limit for a given species for one regulatory year.*

We thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the proposed trapping and furbearer rule changes.

Sincerely,

*Travis L. Day.*

Travis L Day  
Natural Resource Director  
Sierra Soil and Water Conservation District





**From:** Cynthia Gefvert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:44:15 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Trapping is very different from hunting. Hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger while trappers have no idea which animals will step into their traps. I regularly see stories in the paper about animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to being injured in these traps. Some even die because the trappers were not checking traps appropriately. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food. We must do better than this!

I believe it is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Gefvert

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary C [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:13:57 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Mary C

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Arthur Alfreds [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:15:38 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Arthur Alfreds

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Judith Hetem [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:16:46 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I am heartbroken that in what is supposed to be a civilized country, torture of wild animals is allowed by law. PLEASE: I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Judith Hetem

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Don Parsons <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:19:44 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Don Parsons

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**From:** Cirrelda Snider-Bryan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:45:49 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Cirrelda Snider-Bryan

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**From:** Dianne Strauss [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:21:07 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Dianne Strauss

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**From:** Greta Miller [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:21:13 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Greta Miller

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**From:** Pamela Bryant [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:23:33 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Pamela Bryant

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Wesley Leonard [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:24:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Wesley Leonard

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**From:** Marilyn Patterson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:14:55 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Marilyn Patterson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Maria Anderson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:48:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Object to trapping in New Mexico

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Re: Furbearer Rule Development

As a registered voter in New Mexico, age 67, I vehemently oppose the use of traps and snares anywhere. It is a barbaric and cruel act whose practice has long since passed as we have evolved as human beings.

Anita Anderson  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary Drabbs [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:58:25 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Mary Drabbs

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Joyce Cousino [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:51:55 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Joyce Cousino

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[REDACTED]

**From:** MG Harman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:56:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

MG Harman

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[REDACTED]

**From:** K R Garland PhD DD [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:49:46 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

K R Garland PhD DD

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**From:** Donna Lombardi [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:47:21 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I strongly request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals, or people, will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days of pain without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward to ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Donna Lombardi

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** LONDA FOWLER [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:00:20 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

LONDA FOWLER

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Cheryl Scannell [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:57:57 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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As an avid user of New Mexico's public lands for recreation, I have no way of protecting myself or my dogs from encountering traps, because they could be anywhere. The benefits of a ban on leghold traps, wire snares and poisons far outweigh the benefits of continuing to allow the use of these devastating and indiscriminate tools in New Mexico by a very, very small constituency.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state, as you are considering. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Scannell

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** CHRISTALINA AND DON [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 12:43:47 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Absolutely opposed to all trapping, especially on public land

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I am revolted that traps that are so cruel are set out to ensnare pets or unwanted wildlife.

Please do whatever you can to remove trapping from New Mexico!

Christalina Donovan ♡?

**From:** Susi [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 08:30:28 AM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Cc:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Good Morning,

Being out in nature is calming, rejuvenating and grounding for me. It is special and important.

I very much appreciate having so much of nature available in New Mexico. I therefore ask that you please set aside a large portion of it to remain free and wild and without traps.

Thank you very much.

Susi Perry  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nancy Arenas [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 07:00:01 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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I urge you to endorse a trap-free New Mexico. It is the right thing to do.

- Here are some reasons:
  1. Trapping is **cruel**: trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.
  2. Trapping is **indiscriminate**: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.
  3. Trapping is **a public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in [amputation](#) and, in [two cases](#), death. Traps are a danger to people too.
  4. Trapping is **a drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Do the right thing for New Mexico.

Sincerely,

Nancy Arenas  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ann Roylance [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 07:08:27 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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70% of New Mexicans are against trapping. So who are you serving? The folks who can pay \$20 for unlimited trapping?

It causes so much needless suffering. Why cant it be stopped?

Thank you,

Ann ROYLANCE

[REDACTED]

**From:** Jess [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 11:54:52 AM  
**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us <IMCEAMAILTO-Joanna+2EPrukop+40state+2Enm+2Eus@namprd10.prod.outlook.com>; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Hello,

I have lived in Santa Fe for 40 years. I am an outdoors person who enjoys hiking and flyfishing in northern NM. I am totally oppsed to allowing legal trapping in NM. The family pet dog killed at Santa Cruz lake is a vivid reminder of the threat to the general public. Tourism is hurt by legal trapping as well.

thank you for considering my input,

James Clemens

**From:** June Weatherspoon [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 06:40:14 AM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Commissioners,

New Mexicans want and deserve traps OFF of public lands.

Traps are cruel, they are indiscriminate, they are dangerous, and they are sapping our landscapes of native wildlife.

Please BAN all traps on public land.

Thank you for your consideration.

June Weatherspoon, [REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Lori Fisher [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 12:12:50 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Traps and poisons should be banned from public lands, actually from use at all. They are cruel, indiscriminate and exceedingly harmful to the entire food chain, including humans, not to mention pets. It's time to step up to 21st century in management technology.

Lori Fisher  
[REDACTED]

**Not everyone is in the position to help other animals, but everyone is in the position not to harm them. *Douglas Williams***

*Never have we been so close to the fulfillment of prophecy, and never have we been so indifferent.*  
*Ellen White*

**From:** Arianne Avery [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 09:23:45 AM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Good morning,

I am writing to you today urging you to remove dangerous and cruel traps and poisons from public lands in New Mexico. As a resident of Albuquerque, I value the many open spaces available to residents and visitors alike. However, my family is often reluctant to enjoy these recreational areas. We are extremely concerned about the many traps that have been found along our favorite trails. We simply do not understand why traps are allowed on public lands. Like many people, we read the constant news reports of residents stumbling upon traps on public lands, often with tragic results. We are fearful of our dogs being caught in a trap. We are also fearful of being caught in a trap ourselves! I have watched videos online in an attempt to educate myself about how these traps operate so that I might save my dog -- or even a friend or family member. Each of these videos is accompanied by a warning that the trap cannot be removed or damaged despite the carnage it may have caused. This is not acceptable. It certainly appears that New Mexico's priority is with trappers, not the safety of myself and my family -- and every other New Mexican living in the Land of Enchantment. Please help change this dangerous situation. We are simply asking for New Mexico's public spaces to be free of these traps.

Thank you,

Arianne Avery

**From:** Dennis Holland [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 10:27:10 AM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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To whom, it may concern:

I support ending trapping on public lands in New Mexico. To me trapping is an archaic form of animal cruelty that has no place in 21st Century New Mexico. Moreover, trapping, in contrast to hunting, is indiscriminate and puts unintended targets such as endangered species, humans and pets at risk.

The current laws are basically from the 19th Century and do not reflect such factors as climate change, loss of habitat from human over population and commercial greed. Moreover, the current laws do not reflect the attitude of 21st Century New Mexicans who are generally opposed to this unnecessary and cruel relic from the past.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dennis W. Holland, Ph.D.

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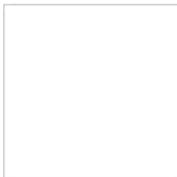
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Dennis W. Holland, Ph.D.

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**From:** trisha [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 10:46:53 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Fur Bearer Rule Development Ban Trapping in New Mexico

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Patricia Reda RN

[REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED]

10/21/19

Dear Game Commission,

Ban Trapping in New Mexico. Trapping is indiscriminate often trapping non-targeted animals.

Mass Murder of OUR Wildlife is irresponsible and immoral. Trapping, poisoning, Coyote Killing contests, wolf hunts, hounding, coyote whacking are horrible, disgusting displays of human cruelty where fathers teach their children cruelty is a right of passage and way of life. Direct links of animal abuse to human abuse have been proven. Stop encouraging this betrayal of life on our beautiful planet. We are responsible for what we teach our children. Stop this cruelty. The Government should encourage its' citizens to be honorable and moral. Is watching an animal writhing in pain towards an agonizing death something you want your child to be part of? To encourage a family business of trapping raises a generation of children thinking torture is normal. It is a very short jump from animal abuse to abuse of humans. Do you really think a person who sets traps and watches an animal suffer, or who use packs of hounds to hunt down and tear apart a coyote, goes home without being scarred and insensitive to the suffering of others.

Animal abuse is not the way to teach compassion. Our Wildlife adds immeasurable beauty to our world. Without them, it will be a sterile world, void of all that makes this planet spectacular. To teach compassion, you have to be compassionate. You have to show compassion. It cannot be learned in a book but passed on from parent to child. When killing our wildlife by torture is a person's job, it is impossible for that individual to show compassion in other areas of his life authentically. Stop this insanity! Stop the Mass Murder of OUR Wildlife! Ban Trapping in New Mexico.

Protect OUR Air. Protect OUR Water. Protect OUR Lands. Protect OUR Wildlife. Protect New Mexico from Greed. It is YOUR Duty!

Respectfully,

Patricia Reda RN

**From:** Andrew Sandoval [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 07:54:06 AM

**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] NM Game Commission (Commission): Trapping should be prohibited on public land. Public lands belong to all of us, and trapping is not a compatible activity on public lands. If the Commission fails to adequately address the issue of trapping on pub...

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**From:** Cheryl Gilbert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 12:57:26 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I've been wanting trapping to stop for a very long time!! It's disgusting & inhumane!! No one needs to trap in this day & age. In most cases it's a slow horrible way for an animal to die. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Gilbert

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Anne Montarou [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 05:09:16 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Anne Montarou

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**From:** Chris Pell [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 11:56:02 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Chris Pell

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**From:** Pj Schuster [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 02:00:07 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

This is quite personal for me, as several years ago one of our newly adopted shelter dogs, a medium sized white terrier named Pearl, got caught in one of those neck traps. It was right in the middle of town (Ruidoso) with a low income housing complex very nearby where families have young children. If my husband hadnt been able to get to her immediately & somehow with brute force managed to get that airline cable noose loosened from around her throat; PEARL would have died-strangled to death. We would have been devastated.

No animal deserves to die in terror like that, its gross & brutal, inhumane. I find it almost inconceivable that we are living in the 21st century & yet continue to allow this barbaric practice from a century & more ago continue. I find it to be sickening & disgusting. It needs to stop now.

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Sincerely,

Phyllis J Schuster - Retired RN

Sincerely,

Pj Schuster

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**From:** Mike Anderson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 08:47:13 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Mike Anderson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Gemma DeRagon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 12:09:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] please stop trapping

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Trapping animals is barbaric & inhumane. Please stop this horrific practice.

Sincerely,

Gemma DeRagon

[REDACTED]

**From:** JOEL MILLER [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 09:32:11 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] suggested changes in trapping rules

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To Whom It May Concern:

I have previously submitted a letter of concern regarding the cruel and negligent practice of trapping on public lands. I would like that letter to be read into notes at your meetings.

I want to attend the public meeting on 10/30 in Albuquerque. If I cannot attend, I would like the following items brought up for discussion or action at meetings across the state, given the contentiousness over non-posted trapping on public lands:

- (1) Require standardized warning signs or flags posted at the sites of traps
- (2) Require the signs or flags be marked with longitude/latitude (easily available from a cell phone)
- (3) Require all pelts be tagged with longitude/latitude of site to become legal for sale or reward.
- (4) Require photo transmission of each site and kill be transmitted to Game and Fish Department, so it may build a visual database and better-enforce rules.
- (5) Set substantial fines for violation of these rules or for inadvertent trapping of humans or domestic animals.

Discussion: I don't see it likely that trapping will be totally banned in NM. The compromise should be better documentation and enforcement. The goals should be protection of families and pets, and better oversight of trapping by Game and Fish.

Respectfully,

Joel C. Miller, [REDACTED]  
10/22/19

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 09:19:43 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trap Free New Mexico

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My husband and I strongly oppose the use of traps that cause agony to creatures who are not treated humanely. We support the Trap Free New Mexico petition and urge you to change the law on traps in our state.

Doris Meyer  
Richard Hertz  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Tom Holley [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 08:54:38 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Trap Free public lands

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I am writing to express my concern about trapping on New Mexico public lands. Trapping is cruel and inhumane and it is disconcerting to me that it is still allowed at all, much less here in the Land of Enchantment. Please do what you can to stop this outdated practice in our state.

Sincerely,

Tom Holley, M.D.

**From:** Ruhee B [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 10:05:11 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping - Furbearer Rule Development

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. These are cruel and inhumane and cause terrible suffering. I sincerely hope you will stop these outdated and barbaric practices.

Thank you,

Mrs R. Baltz,  
[REDACTED]



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**From:** Trish Meyer, [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 12:06:41 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping in New Mexico - Strongly Oppose

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Good morning,

I have been following the stories and editorials for the past few years about the laws that currently allow native animals to be killed in barbaric traps.

I make handmade books, and I was shopping at a store (RL Cox) in Albuquerque for leather scraps (from cows) for book covers.

I was there for less than an hour, and in that time I saw three different men walk in with wild animal pelts over their shoulders – I was so disgusted I could hardly look at what poor wild animal had been killed for profit. I daren't think what kind of suffering they went through.

Yes, I buy cow leather for crafts, but since I meat, I feel I am using all of the animal that is being killed for food and not contributing to their death. AND these animals have inspectors looking out for their humane treatment.

Trapping our native wild animals that belong to ALL of us – and in such CRUEL and HORRIBLE circumstances – so that a few trappers can make money just makes my blood boil.

*There is NO excuse for killing our native animals. Why are our New Mexican animals being killed so that someone in Eastern Europe can have a fur coat?*

**PLEASE see the madness in this and BAN TRAPPING NOW.**

thank you,

Trish Meyer  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** MICHAEL SNOBL [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 06:45:01 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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I am not in favor of trapping anywhere, and especially on public lands. It is a brutal way for an animal to die or especially to be in pain for days, when people do not check their traps. No to trapping.

Sent from my Ipad-10179 ?-9158 ?

**From:** Janice Whitson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 06:37:15 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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NM Game and Fish Department  
Furbearer Rule Development  
PO Box 25112  
Santa Fe, NM 87504

To Whom it May Concern:

I understand there is a comment period for the rules of trapping in New Mexico. Like the majority of New Mexicans, I oppose the continuation of trapping. It is indiscriminate in killing any animal that encounters the baited trap. That includes, of course, any species that may be endangered or threatened. It should be banned completely on public lands where the game and fish department has authority. It is my hope that you will eliminate or at the very least, severely curtail the inhuman and barbaric use of metal claw traps in NM.

Thank you for taking my comments.

Janice K. Whitson  
[REDACTED]

**From:** PATSY JARNAGIN [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 12:28:52 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Traps & Snares

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This is to voice my opinion about the use of traps & snares. Stop the use of traps and snares in New Mexico, especially on public lands. Their use is inhumane and presents a danger to humans as well as all fur bearing animals, birds, and domestic pets, including dogs and cats.

Stop the use of traps and snares in New Mexico!

**From:** Erika EJA Gmail [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 07:06:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban all trapping on all public lands

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I very, very strongly support the complete ban of all traps and snares on all public lands. I've lived in New Mexico since 1956 and can't believe cruel trapping is still allowed and supported by the State Game Commission. It's unbelievable!

Either completely ban it or insert your foot in a trap without the means to free yourself and stay there ... alone ... over 3 full 24-hour days or until you die ... whichever comes first. And spend those 72 hours contemplating how wonderful the reality of trapping is.

Erika Jones  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

*Sent from my iPad. Please excuse typos.*

**From:** Deborah Stark [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 08:04:16 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban all traps, please.

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It's the 21st century!  
Please move beyond the brutal and cruel use of all traps.  
Have regard for living things - please. It's long past time.

d.stark

[REDACTED]  
[www.eulogytheextinctionproject.com](http://www.eulogytheextinctionproject.com)

**From:** Inmills [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 03:14:00 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban trapping on public lands now!

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New Mexico Dept. of Game and Fish,

Ban trapping on public lands now!!

If the public outcry over the public safety hazards, animal cruelty, fake conservation, lack of field monitoring and enforcement, etc. isn't reason enough to ban trapping on public lands, we can forget about G&F honoring the public wildlife trust. They are still serving the hunter, landowner, and political alliance that has been spoiling our conservation dreams for decades.

Laddie Mills  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** betsy walker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 08:20:12 AM  
**To:** Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] ban trapping on public lands

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Hello Commissioner Vesbach –

Please ask yourself these questions and then reply to me:

Who do you actually work for?

The overall population of New Mexico residents?

Or a select few who resist change for their own personal benefit?

Please ban trapping on public lands **NOW**. Here are just some of the reasons why:

- Traps are cruel. Animals in traps may starve to death, succumb to exposure or dehydration, or even chew off their own limbs trying to escape.
- Traps are indiscriminate. They kill non-target animals including cats, dogs and imperiled species, including Mexican gray wolves. Countless New Mexico residents have lost beloved pets to indiscriminate traps.
- Trapping is counterproductive to sound science. Randomly killing coyotes, for example, disrupts their pack structure which can increase their populations and increase conflicts with humans and companion animals.
- Wild animals play an important ecological role in healthy ecosystems. Coyotes, for example, reduce rabbit and rodent populations, keep environments free of animal carcasses, and increase biodiversity.
- Trapping allows a tiny minority of the population to steal New Mexico's wildlife for personal profit. Wildlife belongs to ALL citizens—but for only \$20 a year (even less for youth), a trapper is allowed to kill as many animals as he or she wants for private gain

Thank you for your time and service. I look forward to your reply-

Betsy Walker  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Allison Rand [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 03:21:48 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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- Trapping is a **drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Rejoice evermore ~ St. Paul

**From:** Michael Lawler [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 05:20:15 PM

**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Soules, David, DGF

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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These are OUR lands and it is your job to protect them and Nature's inhabitants from cruel and unusual human behavior. No traps on OUR lands! No cruelty in OUR names! No subsidized sick inhumane conduct!

**From:** Pam M [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 04:45:56 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Hello,

I want animal traps banned from public lands. My reasons are many, among them:

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- Trapping is indiscriminate: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.
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Please support the ban currently being considered.

Pam Mayberry  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 12:24:21 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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As a pet parent and lover of our public lands I urge you to ban ALL traps from NM's public lands.

Sincerely,

Tiffany Nicol  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Michele Fair [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 12:55:42 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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To whom it may concern,

My husband and I moved to the state of New Mexico for its beauty, nature, and wildlife. Imagine our dismay when we found out that trapping here is not just legal, it also seems to be encouraged. The level of cruelty and disregard for a living being is unbelievable, and we're now second-guessing our decision. We were under the impression that this state respected and revered its land and wildlife. This seems not to be the case, which is very disheartening. I am writing today to express my sincere concerns about the trapping going on in the state of New Mexico. How many dogs and children must be injured or even die before this state does the right thing?

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Perhaps the representatives of this state need to take a hard look at how the wildlife here is being treated and take real steps to protect it. Otherwise, New Mexico is no different and no better than many other states in this union.

Sincerely,  
Michele Fair

**From:** Randy Lantz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 10:03:34 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Game Commission,

New Mexico needs to ban traps on public lands. These traps are indiscriminate killers. Unlike hunters who know what they are shooting at that moment, and who are limited to the number of animals they take every year, trappers kill a lot of non target animals and are unlimited in their take. That can put animal populations in a decline.

These traps can be a hazard to domestic pets and humans. Trapping is also inhumane because the deaths are generally not immediate but cause the animal a long, slow, agonizing death.

New Mexico can be better than this. We need to stop trapping on public land.

Sincerely,

Randy Lantz

**From:** Clark Zrakovi [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 03:10:50 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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From Clark Zrakovi, [REDACTED]

The trapping regulations of the NM Fish and Game Commission harken back to the time of homo sapiens as hunter gatherers about 16,000 years in the past.

Your organization needs to adjust to the 21st century where man no longer needs to hunt animals for food(meat) and or warmth(fur). Both of these items are abundantly available in food markets and clothing stores.

It is time to abolish traps in New Mexico.

Do the right thing and protect the disappearing wildlife in our state and country.

**From:** Gudrun Hoerig [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 08:40:09 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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I urge you to ban traps from all New Mexico Public Lands, they are barbaric, inhumane and dangerous not only to Wildlife but pets and people as well. If we need to kill wildlife do we need to also let them suffer in the most horrible way?

Sincerely,  
Gudrun Hoerig

**From:** Jane Koewing [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 05:28:03 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comments on fur trapping proposed rules

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This supplements the comments that we made in person at the public meeting held in Santa Fe.

New Mexico should totally ban trapping on all public lands. Key reasons include the following:

- A large number of the residents of New Mexico are opposed to all trapping, while trappers represent a very small number of New Mexicans. This proposal benefits very few residents of our state and is a detriment to many others.
- Endangered species and companion animals can be caught in traps, as was our dog. Our Labrador was caught in a leg trap on public land in Glorieta Mesa, while we were walking with him. The trap was baited with a rabbit decoy. It was very painful to him and extremely traumatic to all of us. Fortunately, we were able to release him from the trap. Had we not been right there, it could have resulted in amputation or even a painful death for our beloved dog.
- We are hesitant to use the recreational public lands because of our experience there and the dangers of trapping to humans and animals. The land is maintained for the benefit of New Mexico residents and visitors, who may not use the land because of the presence of traps.
- At a minimum, it should be required for there to be signs on each trail where traps are located, indicating the presence of traps.
- The proposal eliminates trapping on a very small percentage of public lands, while allowing this inhumane and dangerous practice to continue on the vast majority of public lands.
- Trapping is cruel, resulting in stress and a torturous death for animals.
- There is no limit on how many fur bearing animals each trapper can catch. This is unhealthy to the ecosystem and diminishes the wildlife population.
- Fur is no longer in fashion in New Mexico and most of the US and is likely not being used by our citizens.
- New Mexico relies heavily on its tourist industries and trapping on public recreational lands is a deterrent to tourists.

We hope you turn down this proposal and eliminate trapping on all public lands!

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Albert and Jane Koewing

[REDACTED]



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**From:** Meredith Emery [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 06:38:54 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Furbearer Rule Development

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Sirs and/or Mesdames:

I would like to see rules put into law that prohibit any sort of trapping in this state. The ways in which animals suffer and die from this practice is inhuman and we should know better than to allow its practice.

Thank you for your consideration.

Meredith Bush Emery

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Ann Harris Davidson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 12:57:41 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Furbearer rules -- opinion to be included

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To whom it may concern at the New Mexico Department of Game & Fish:

Please register that my husband (Dr.Stephen White) and I are implacably opposed to the use of leg traps (and of snares) on New Mexico's public lands. These traps are dangerous, cruel, and the lazy-man's method of hunting animals.

The trapping of "fur bearers", apart from being inhumane (and thus unethical), endangers native wildlife, companion animals, and the humans who use public lands (as my husband and I do, including when training for my successful climb to the summit of Mt. Kilimanjaro in July 2019).

Bobcats, foxes, and the other endemic species of animals deserve to be saved from the cruelty of traps.

Additionally, just today (<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/10/21/business/macys-fur-sales.html>), Macy's and Bloomingdales have announced that these stores will no longer carry any fur products by 2021. Collecting pelts for fashion and other purposes is now out of fashion -- out of concern to reduce the inhumanity that humans inflict on animals.

Please ensure that the use of traps and snares will be banned in New Mexico.

Sincerely,  
Ann

Ann Harris DAVIDSON & Dr. Stephen WHITE

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** John Watson-Jones [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 03:57:32 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules; self [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** [EXT] Leghold traps

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Honorable Game Commissioners:

There are various persuasive arguments pro and con leghold traps.

One argument stands out, however, and should trump all the others: leghold traps are **terribly cruel**. Any animal big enough to get caught in one has the capacity to suffer miserably, just as we humans would. New Mexico has outlived any reason to allow these barbaric traps.

Therefore, please **ban** leghold traps on public lands.

Thank you,

John W-J

**John B. Watson-Jones**  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

**From:** Margaret Sears [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 01:38:24 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Leg-hold traps

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Dear Madam/Sir,

I wish to strongly oppose the use of leg-hold traps. For ever so long this issue has been debated, to no avail. The cruelty of such traps is beyond comprehension. Can you imagine an animal being held in such agony for ever so long, often amputating his/her leg to be released? Would you have such courage? I certainly wouldn't. No more selfish delays--leg-hold traps must be outlawed now! Period! No animal (except man) would inflict such pain on another.

Sincerely,

Margaret Sears

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** mundobravo [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 06:28:39 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] No Trapping.

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Please stop all trapping on public lands !

thank you , Ed Haywood

**From:** Jean Van Camp [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 10:06:49 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Outlaw Traps and Snares

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Dear Commissioners:

Please outlaw the use of jaw traps and other in-humane snares in the State of New Mexico. They should be outlawed all together. If you can't enact this for the entire State, please at least cover Public Lands.

1. Almost seventy percent (70%) of residents oppose the use of these devices. This fact alone should cause you to vote against the use of the devices entirely.
2. At twenty dollars (\$20) per license the use of these devices is obviously not a revenue producer for the State.
3. The devices cannot distinguish between a true menace from a child, pet or endangered species. Given, as well that current rules do not require notice of such a device present they are clearly an endangerment to innocent life and limb – literally. Therefore, once again, use of these devices should be outlawed completely.

Please outlaw these devices completely. New Mexico has to start joining the rest of sane society. New Mexico routinely falls onto the bottom of the list of all things horrible. Can we please get rid of this barbaric practice and be near the top of humane treatment of animals.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jean VanCamp  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nora B. [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 10:29:20 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please end the war on wildlife

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To whom it may concern,

Please end the war on wildlife! I oppose poisons and trapping on public lands because it is cruel, it is indiscriminate, it is unscientific, and it is a shame that this unnecessary & unethical practice is still backed by the state of New Mexico.

Traps, including leg-hold traps, wire snares, and body-crushing devices, and poisons do not differentiate between species and pose an indiscriminate danger to all. Traps and poisons cause death and harm to many animals including bears, bobcats, foxes, endangered wolves, otters, and companion animals. The use of traps and poisons is inconsistent with "fair chase" principles of ethical hunting, and their usage depletes wildlife communities.

All species have a purpose and a role in the ecosystem. I don't live in New Mexico, but I care about the wildlife of every state. Plus, there are other non lethal methods in order to coexist with wildlife. We can't just kill wildlife because we feel is a nuisance or for the economic interest of ranchers/farmers!

"Only when the last tree has died and the last river been poisoned and the last fish been caught will we realize we cannot eat money" Cree Indian Proverb

Please end the war on wildlife. Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Psalms 150:6

Thank you for listening to my concern.

Nora Bueno

**From:** Linda Fair [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 02:17:27 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

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It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Linda Fair

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Dona Upson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 10:45:03 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dona Upson

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Edward Barengo [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 07:47:55 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Edward Barengo

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Therese And David Patton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 01:39:03 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

Bio-diversity is vital to supporting human life. We are all connected. Inhumane practices are wrong for their cruelty but stupid for their impact on our own future. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Therese And David Patton

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[REDACTED]

**From:** sara sexton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 03:46:16 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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sara sexton

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Lana Green [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 03:11:16 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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I have taught ecology and been involved in environmental education for more than half of my lifetime. All of creation plays a vital part in the welfare and health of the whole. Stop assaulting a key player, wolves, in the proper balance of the health of New Mexico.

Sincerely,

Lana Green

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**From:** Jenny Lapetina [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 04:00:36 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Jenny Lapetina

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**From:** emelie olson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 08:27:25 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

Trapping is not an appropriate way to manage wild animals.

Thus, I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

emelie olson

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**From:** Gaetane Gonzales [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 09:19:57 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Gaetane Gonzales

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**From:** Alice McClelland [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 01:27:16 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Alice McClelland

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Justin Ellis [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 10:11:21 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Public Comment- Trapping & Furbearer Rule Proposed Changes 2020-2024

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I am submitting my written public comments on the Proposed Trapping and Furbearer Rule Changes for the 2020-2024 Seasons.

For context, I am an active recreational trapper in Roswell, NM, and have been trapping in SE New Mexico for 3 years, almost exclusively on public land and target bobcat, and coyotes but have also taken fox, badger, and raccoon. In addition, I hunt small and big game and fish on public land here in NM. I am also a member of The New Mexico Trappers Association, and Backcountry Hunters and Anglers, but do not speak for either organization.

I attended the public meeting related to the proposed rule last night, 10/23/19 at the NMDGF Office here in Roswell. I was very glad to see the Department focused on updating the rules to meet current needs while managing potential conflict with other users of our natural resources and public lands. I was especially encouraged to hear that the Department is focused on using the North American Model of Wildlife Management to guide their decisions, and appreciates the value of trapping as both a recreational activity and as an effective management tool. In addition, it was encouraging to hear the department clearly differentiate between trappers who follow the law and regulations and the poachers who use traps illegally and irresponsibly.

I broadly support the proposed changes, especially after hearing some explanation of the details, history, and intent around a few of the proposed measures at the public meeting.

One matter discussed at the public meeting, and a sentiment that I believe was shared by all members of the public who attended was a level of frustration around what seems to be an imbalance in efforts taken to manage conflict between trappers, and other resource users, in particular, non-consumptive recreational users with pets. The general sentiment was that we as trappers always seem to be the ones penalized or compromising while there is plenty of responsibility to go around, particularly when pet owners fail to control their pets. It was explained that since NMDGF doesn't have jurisdiction over those pets or their owners that they are focusing their efforts where they can to minimize that conflict and mitigate the political and social impact on trapping activities.

One situation I would like to see addressed is ensuring that the Department has the resources, and penalties it needs to enforce existing and or new regulations on trapping activities. I would be very curious to find out what the statistical correlation is between conflict incidents (of the variety that often cause bad press for trappers) and the violations of regulations or law at those incidents. To word it another way, are conflicts that cause bad press for trappers and trapping caused by trappers, or by poachers using traps?

Are there political, or other steps that trappers, sportsmen and our advocacy groups could take to illustrate the reality of the difference between trappers, and poachers who use traps?

I believe there is a need for a broad public discourse across multiple user groups to protect trapping as a legitimate use of public wildlife and land. In particular, we as trappers and sportsmen need to do a better job of telling our story. Too many times the only story politicians, media, or the general public hear are high emotion stories of impacts on individual wildlife or pets. While these stories are heartbreaking and sad, they are not reflective of the reality of trapping as a whole, or its impact on the resource.

I would like to close by thanking the Department for seeming to be on the right side of the issue. That is the side of the wildlife resource and the scientific management of those resources. I happen to also believe that I and other trappers are on that same side of the issue.

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Justin Ellis  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Robert Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 05:33:44 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Regarding Trapping

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Species are disappearing at a phenomenal rate. There is no need and no excuse to allow a cruel and unnecessary practice as trapping to continue, anywhere.

Please make it end in New Mexico.

Bob Johnson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Dylan Shaw [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 05:54:01 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trap Free on Public Lands

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Hello,

Please know that close to 70% of New Mexicans oppose trapping on public lands.

Another trapping season is looming in New Mexico after last year's saw at least two dogs killed, a handful of others injured, and untold thousands of native wildlife trapped and skinned for their fur.

The set of changes are inadequate and trapping needs to be banned on public lands. Can you imagine being trapped underwater? The fact that this is legal is hard to believe and does not look this state look very good. After the turnout from anti-trapping supporters it's just a matter of time. The pro-trapping community continues to lose support from the public and this state will one day look back at trapping as a black eye similar to what cock fighting was.

Indiscriminately killing and inflicting suffering. This is trapping. Let's be on the right side of history.

Traps are cruel, they are indiscriminate, they are dangerous, and they are sapping our landscapes of native wildlife.

Thank you for your time

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 09:25:27 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping regulations

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I started trapping back in 1955 when I was 15 years old in Wisconsin. At that time the only traps we used were leg holds and I trapped muskrats and occasionally caught a mink. For the next 58 years I continued to trap whenever I could and wherever I could. I am now 79 and have not trapped for the last six years.

I graduated from college in 1967 and went to work as a fish and wildlife biologist for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. My job with the Service took me to several places around the country. In Oklahoma I trapped muskrats, mink and beaver, in the mountains of North Carolina mink, in Washington State it was mink and nutria, coyotes in Arizona, and muskrats and beaver in New Mexico. As you can tell I was mainly a water trapper and usually only used body grip traps. I never caught a domestic animal. But I have caught turtles and catfish in bank hole sets for muskrats. The turtles and catfish lived through the experience. I always only trapped when the animals fur was prime and while over the years wild caught fur prices have gone up and down, I still trapped. Why? Because being out every day along a river or a drain is what I needed, and trapping satisfied that need after duck hunting had ended and trout fishing had yet to start.

I support New Mexico Game and Fish Departments effort to develop additional fur bearer rules. The rules are science based and follow best management practices for harvesting fur bearers. Let us not let emotion and opinion get in the way of science and fact.

Jerry Burton

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 08:18:26 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Ban on Public Lands

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I would like to voice my opposition to these cruel, inhumain practice. I find absolutely no way any person can justify letting an animal get ensnared in one of these traps and left to suffer.

This is happening on public lands our taxes pay to maintain. I, along with many animal lovers, think these cruel traps should never be manufactured again. But in absence of the greed that allows mankind to make animals suffer in the name of money, I stand firmly against these traps on public lands!

Jeanie Parker

Sent from Xfinity Connect Application

**From:** Mary Moya [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 10:23:42 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping of fur-bearing animals

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Dear NM Dept of Game and Fish,

I am writing to ask you to outlaw animal trapping.

I wholehearted support the removal of this practice to improve the safety of our public lands for people and their pets. While I support the right of hunters to use guns and bows and arrows, I think that trapping should be removed because these dangerous traps are indiscriminate and unnecessarily cruel.

I frequently walk with my dogs and my neighbors' dogs in the National Forest lands. Every time I hear that someone's dog has gotten caught in a trap, I am heartbroken.

You have the power to change this tragic situation.

Please make New Mexico safe for our pets and our children.

Mary Moya  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jen Rhea [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 10:55:25 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping regulation

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Please abolish most forms of trapping on public lands. Please, permit only qualified wildlife rehabilitation experts, and please insist that they use humane live traps.

Having a small percentage of the population litter public lands with barbaric leg traps is irresponsible. These cowards are not hunters, they are lazy and reckless animal abusers.

Sincerely,  
Jen Rhea

**From:** Lynda Schuh [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 07:53:34 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Lynda Schuh

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Natalie Bieser [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 09:47:12 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping rules in New Mexico

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To All concerned:

It is my opinion that the current rules that regulate trapping on public lands are antiquated and insufficient.

Trapping is extremely cruel and an indiscriminate method of killing animals. As an avid outdoors and nature lover, setting vicious traps offends me deeply. I would like to see trapping on public lands completely banned not just in high traffic areas. A trap has no idea if what it traps is legal or not and I dont feel that trappers are particularly self-policing. So halfway measures are not sufficient.

Lastly, I sometimes wonder if some New Mexicans really know what an incredible treasure this state is. The beauty of New Mexico is boundless our open spaces are superb in all seasons and accessible to nearly all who would want to partake in this bounty. We all need to step up to protect and respect what we have in every way. Whether its not dumping or littering or protecting the lives of innocent creatures that make their homes in our beautiful state. New Mexico needs to step into the 21st century, I dont want us to be known as a backward killing field.

There is overwhelming support for eliminating cruel trapping practices, lets step up!

Sincerely,

Natalie Bieser

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 01:55:59 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping rules

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First I will admit that I am not a trapper or a hunter. I do have dogs that love trail hikes with me. Please consider the danger to my animals as well as me when writing trapping rules. I do think that traps and snares are a very barbaric way to hunt animals, certainly not very sporting. Please do not let the plans of allowing this within a half mile of trails and campgrounds to pass! No trapping or snares allowed at all is a much more humane solution.

Thank you.

Linda Blaney a [REDACTED] resident

**From:** Linda Mowbray [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 04:53:37 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rules

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In a state that is known for animal cruelty (chasing bears just out of dens with dogs) there is no reason to make things even worse with our current trapping rules. No valid justification can be made for endangering humans and all sorts of other animals with traps on public lands. Indeed, the effect of our current rules is to keep the public from using its land by setting dangerous traps on its. Pleaser stop this useless, cruel and dangerous activity. Linda Mowbray, [REDACTED]

**From:** David B Doty [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 11:30:51 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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End the antiquated and barbaric practice of trapping animals for fur son all of New Mexicos public lands, NOW!

DBD

**From:** Dana Hees [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 11:17:51 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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Im writing to state my opposition to the use of steel-jaw traps and snares on public lands. It is a cruel and undeserved fate for any sentient being. Imagine yourself caught in one. Lets end the dark ages of heartless and greed driven killing by doing the right thing which is being faithful stewards of our lands and looking to the welfare of the animals.

Thank you, Dana Hees

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Jon Swalby [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 06:03:47 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] traps

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Enough trapping on public land already!  
Do you not realize it's the 21st century?  
We don't need those things lying around.

Jon Swalby

People are hungry.  
We can help  
[www.thehungersite.com](http://www.thehungersite.com)

**From:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 01:17:04 PM  
**To:** Tommy Baumgardner <[REDACTED]> Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF  
**Cc:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Re: [EXT] rabies and trapping

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Hello, Mr. Baumgardner,

Thank you very much for your comments. I will make certain they become a part of the official record for this rule making process, and I will discuss them with Department personnel.

Enjoy your day,  
Joanna Prukop, Chair  
NM State Game Commission

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**From:** Tommy Baumgardner [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 22, 2019 11:49 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF  
**Cc:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** [EXT] rabies and trapping

( Fact check google rabies 2018 for each state, Arizona, Colorado and New Mexico)

**Arizona: 160** cases with 29 human exposed  
**Colorado: 325** cases ( confirmed human exposed ?)  
**New Mexico: 9**

2,000 licensed trappers in New Mexico for 2018/19 season at \$20.00 per = \$40,000 not counting out of state licensed. Plus all stamps required. Most also purchase a small game license of which they must have for carrying a gun while trapping. This money goes a long ways towards our Game and fish department and habitat restoration.

**New Mexico Trappers Make a Difference.**

Thank You,  
Thomas (Tommy) Baumgardner - born and raised in [REDACTED] New Mexico

**From:** Young, Robert S., NMDOT  
**Sent time:** 10/24/2019 09:18:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** This message is to support the banning of animal trapping and poisoning in New Mexico.

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Good Morning:

This message is to support the banning of animal trapping and poisoning in New Mexico! It's time to reform trapping rules to ban the use of poison and forbid traps and snares. Animal trapping is unnecessary and excessively cruel period, not just for the fur-bearing animals caught, but for the stray family dog, domestic livestock or even the occasional wandering human who ends up in a trap or snare. The people of New Mexico from all walks of life overwhelmingly oppose trapping, but over the years, the pull of so-called tradition and fear of upsetting certain voters has left in place cruel practices — that's why it took decades to outlaw coyote-killing contests and cockfighting.

I am not from out of State. I am a third generation New Mexican.

Please, ban the use of animal trapping and poisoning in New Mexico!!!

Have a great day,

*Robert S. Young*

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**From:** Kathleen Scheid [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 07:26:41 AM  
**To:** dgf-furbearer-rules@state.nm.us.  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban trapping now

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New Mexico is so much better than allowing a vocal minority to inflict needless suffering and brutal deaths on animals in the name of tradition. We should live up to being the Land of Enchantment, not the Land of Entrapment.

Kathy Scheid, [REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Leslie Bezner [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 06:21:04 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This practice is cruel and should not be considered recreational

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Leslie Bezner

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Teresa DuBois [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 04:32:30 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

My dog was caught in a steel trap in Los Alamos County in 2014. I never want anyone to go through what we went through. I am a retired search and rescue volunteer who has worked with search dogs for 34 years. I simply can't imagine a trained dog getting caught in one of these. Wild animals have no guardians to release them from traps. Their death is agonizing and lingering. Please ban these horrible devices in our state. I will never feel safe in the wilderness until these are outlawed. Give our wildlife a break.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]  
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This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jane Engel [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 11:03:40 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jane Engel

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** John Banker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 01:54:05 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I detest the barbaric act of trapping in the highest level. Anyone who supports trapping should be removed from office. This goddamn practice needs to be outlawed NOW!!!!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

John Banker

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED]

**From:** Carolyn Beaty [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 03:29:29 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

There is no humane rationale to allow animals to suffer the agony of being caught in traps, especially in our public lands. Please take the enlightened and compassionate approach and ban trapping on public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Beaty

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Michael F. Rhoderick [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 10:40:39 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It is time we put the archaic, cruel practice trapping wild animals where it belongs..in the PAST!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Michael F. Rhoderick

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Winter [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 05:43:58 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Susan Winter

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Lura Brookins [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 10:50:23 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please demonstrate humane treatment of all animals!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Lura Brookins

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Krystal Ortiz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 11:05:55 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please stop destroying others lives this is horrible and will have an impact on all of us!!!!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Krystal Ortiz

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This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Hari Rai Khalsa [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 01:28:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Hari Rai Khalsa

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Joan Walker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 10:53:00 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joan Walker

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Jean Crawford [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 01:37:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It is past time to end indiscriminate killing on public lands. You don't want traps, snares and poison in your workspace, so do not allow these dangers for outdoor creatures and users.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jean Crawford

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** David Rice [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 03:06:15 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Rice

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Gwen Gilligan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 11:05:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This is barbaric and this method of trapping should be stopped. Far too many innocent animals get caught in these awful, medieval traps and die needlessly painful deaths.. There are many citizens out here who are adamantly against this so please listen to us with as much, or more, than the trapper lobby

Gwen Gilligan  
[REDACTED]

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gwen Gilligan  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [core.help@sierraclub.org](mailto:core.help@sierraclub.org) or (415) 977-5500 for more information.

**From:** Doris Street [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 06:32:40 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Stop this dangerous and unnecessary practice

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Doris Street

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Jeffrey Larsen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 06:38:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

In addition to wanting to feel safe when out with my dogs, it's crucial that we protect the biodiversity of NM. We have already driven so many species to the edge of extinction. Trapping doesn't have a place here.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Larsen

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Anita Deming [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 06:42:26 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Anita Deming

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Raleigh Koritz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 07:47:45 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Raleigh Koritz

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Walter Wait [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 08:47:54 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps are inhumane and indiscriminate. They do not belong anywhere, especially not on public lands. Please tell me I am wrong to believe that your agency is funded by blood money, money coming in from trapping and hunting permits. Americans do not wear fur! America has to be a frontrunner in our fight against animal cruelty. Do the right thing: NO traps on public lands..

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Walter Wait

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Virgene Link-New [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 07:56:46 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is indiscriminate and inhumane. It is time to leave this practice in the past. Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Virgene Link-New

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Edward Mosimann [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 08:46:12 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Bad behavior, period!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Edward Mosimann

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Freya Harris [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 06:48:39 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Freya Harris

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Selbin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 08:53:41 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Susan Selbin

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Langley [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 09:18:07 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Stop exploiting our public lands by cruel indiscriminate trapping !! My family has encountered traps and trapped animals, including injury to our family dog, while exploring and hiking. Come on, get with the 21st century and ban trapping. It's a despicable practice.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Karen Langley

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Mark Boslough [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 09:49:11 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

There is absolutely now reason why New Mexicans should allow ourselves, our children, our pets, and our wildlife to be put at risk for the profit and entertainment of others.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mark Boslough

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Kester Oman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 07:10:09 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please step up, be humane and save wild creatures for the sake of the animals and ourselves, for the future and for the present; it will take courage!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Kester Oman

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Damien Roberts [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 07:39:20 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I recently retired and spend a lot of my time hiking, fishing and hunting with my dogs on public lands and National forests. I hope you consider how trapping in these areas hinders recreation. There is no trigger on a trap. They are indiscriminate and lethal. Dying caught in a snare is a terrible way to go.

Thank you for your consideration,

Damien Roberts

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Damien Roberts

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Everett Cole [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 07:47:54 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Everett Cole

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Candace Stoughton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 08:04:44 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping that causes the animal suffering (e.g. steel jaws of any size, hunger, thirst, etc.) is cruel and unusual punishment and should not be allowed anywhere in the state. NM wildlife of every species are part our our amazing natural heritage and should not be removed from their natural habitat; especially through cruel methods that cause the animal to suffer.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Candace Stoughton

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Ed Werda [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 09:11:29 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps are a CRUEL and barbaric method of trapping

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ed Werda

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Ann Cross [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 10:00:51 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This is cruel and unnecessary

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ann Cross

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Caroline S?villa [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 03:44:42 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Caroline S?villa

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Zac Bigbee [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 10:40:46 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

There is still too little accountability in our rules for fur trapping and no way of knowing how much bycatch has been uselessly mutilated.

Additionally, as a primarily rural state, it is imperative that we maintain our natural resources responsibly. Right now the proposed trapping rules do not go far enough to ensure responsible use of our states wild places. For this reason, all trapping should be subject to heavy fines until such a time as we have implemented an adequate system for protecting wildlife and ensuring accountability.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Zac Bigbee

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Berta Knussmann [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 06:17:01 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Furbearer Rule Development

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As a resident of New Mexico, I am writing to ask you to consider banning traps. The traps are not only inhumane to any animals caught in them, but also place hikers, children and family pets at risk. While the current proposal would increase set-back distances from a quarter-mile to a half-mile buffer from designated trailheads, roadside rest areas, picnic areas or occupied dwellings, there is no controlling for hikers going off trail to explore or picnickers and their children wandering away from a picnic area, falling victim to one of these traps and suffering serious harm. In addition, many pets are allowed off leash and could find their way into one of these devices and be seriously maimed or have to be euthanized as a result.

There are other less cruel hunting methods that are legal in New Mexico. Please reconsider changing the current rule for the benefit of the people and pets of NEw Mexico.

Sincerely,  
Roberta Knussmann

**From:** Jennifer Bayley [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 04:08:33 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] My comments on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please stop ALL trapping on ALL public lands/waters. Traps should never be where the public is, and that means public lands.

It is not alright to trap foxes, bobcats, badgers, beavers, Mexican wolves, cougars bears, porcupines, birds, or other wildlife. Many are already threatened or endangered: there is no adequate justification for this. And what about children and domestic dogs and other pets?

Please end this barbaric, primitive practice and make us proud as New Mexicans to enhance the lives of these wild species, not end them.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Bayley

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Paul Ingraham [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 06:27:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] My position on the change to trapping rules

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Hope this reaches those who make these decisions.

I am adamantly FOR a change to the Trapping Rules that the Dept. of Game and Fish can't seem to enforce properly. When I read that a case against a trapper with multiple offenses was dismissed because the Dept of Game & Fish didn't secure the evidence to support what they charged the trapper with. The number of offenses was double digit!

PP

I am a user of public lands where I hike with my two Border Collies. I also hike on BLM lands as well. The thought that I would have to remove my pet(s) from illegally set traps or snares because the laws aren't being properly enforced makes me think it's time to just stop allowing trapping period. Yes, you G&F bozo's think trapping has benefits, but that doesn't excuse gross incompetence when enforcing the laws we do have. I tend to agree about some of the benefits of trapping but allowing law breaking trappers to scate on legitimate offenses is just WRONG on so many levels.

Since G&F can't competently enforce our existing laws, I support eliminating all trapping on public lands, that includes on BLM lands as well (find a way to make that happen).

I also want to make sure that private land owners can't allow trapping on their lands if the sets are placed to catch protected species and/or are placed improperly period (on or near a frequently traveled trail that property owners know are used by the public). If private lands aren't posted then I assume it's OK to walk my dogs there.

Please fix this travesty of inadequate enforcement and the cruel and unusual punishment that is trapping.

Paul Ingraham  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Joanne Keefe [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 07:50:21 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please consider my opinion on the trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This is a cruel practice that leads to unnecessary suffering and it sickens me. It is lazy and irresponsible.

Please vote to prohibit recreational and commercial trapping on all public lands.

Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joanne Keefe

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** BARRY HASTINGS [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 07:43:04 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please End all Forms of Animal Trapping in New Mexico

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Reference Albuquerque Journal editorial of Saturday, October 26, 2019, entitled "Roxy's case reveals trappings free-for-all; NM needs to ban it", I totally agree. Please ban all types of that barbaric method of catching animals on public lands to include all forms of traps and snares.

Barry Hastings

**From:** Dianne Cress [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 09:17:16 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please no trapping on public lands ,at least!

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I feel that public land should not have any traps. One should be able to feel safe there.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Dianne Cress

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Lenssen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 05:47:46 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping is totally cruel. Let's end this practice in New Mexico

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Barbara Lenssen

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Janine Vinton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 10:58:34 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Janine Vinton

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jeanette Holmgren [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 03:01:30 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. It is about time you leave your medieval mentality behind and join the rest of us who have stepped in to the modern world. We are not barbarians.

Sincerely,  
Jeanette Holmgren

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nan Burke [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 08:08:03 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping

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Dear Game Commissioners:

I am writing to register my opposition to the four-year plan regarding trapping rules. Rather than make the cosmetic changes you are proposing, I feel strongly that it would be better to eliminate trapping altogether. Like many people in New Mexico, I am an avid hiker and a dog owner. Trapping endangers me, my dog, other people, and other native wildlife. It is not a "fair chase" hunt but rather, a hunt with a very unfair (and dangerous) advantage for the hunter. As you know, a trap can cause excruciating pain for the animal (or person) caught in it. One person or one family pet caught in a trap is one too many. Please eliminate trapping in New Mexico.

Sincerely yours,

Nan Burke

[REDACTED]

**From:** michelle gregory [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/27/2019 02:35:50 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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I OPPOSE TRAPPING ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Michelle A Gregory.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Cynthia Seyb [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 08:00:43 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban trapping in New Mexico

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I am writing to ask that you ban trapping in New Mexico.

Cynthia Seyb

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Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Deeanna Radatti [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 08:58:49 AM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Hello. My husband, myself, and our two dogs absolutely love hiking and exploring New Mexico. If one of my dogs ever gets caught and injured in a trap, I will not take that lightly.

I understand you consider trapping a solution for certain wildlife issues. Please consider an alternative to traps. They cause a lot of suffering and are disrespectful to animal life.

An animal should not have to suffer before it dies and residents of NM should not have to be in fear for their own animals while enjoying the beauty of the land.

New Mexico already has a bad reputation in other states for their treatment of domestic animals (not to mention the domestic violence). Please be part of a positive change. Stop trapping.

**From:** Donna Darden-Simmons [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 12:25:21 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I am a nature lover whom has lived in the Zuni Mountains for over thirty years. Over that period I have noticed a drastic decline in all forms of wildlife. If the decline continues New Mexico will no longer attract nature lovers. Activities like coyote killing contests and fur trapping convey a negative image of the state. The majority of people do not think that providing fur adornments for peoples vanity justifies the torture and cruelty of trapping.

In 1994 Arizona banned leg hold traps on all public lands. In 1996 Colorado banned leg hold traps on public and private lands. (It doesn't seem to have hurt their economic development.)

Will New Mexico be one of the last states to do the right thing?

New Mexico was one of the last states to ban dog fighting! Will it be the last to end the cruelty of fur trapping? We hope not! Charles and Donna Simmons

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Donna Darden-Simmons

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**From:** Patrick Dobson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 10:16:23 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patrick Dobson

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**From:** Inge Bjorkman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 01:53:08 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Inge Bjorkman

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**From:** Cathy Hudson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 12:09:18 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

In fact, I oppose trapping of any kind anywhere..Torturing sentient beings has always been a hideous practice. Mankind continues to brutalize this earth and its inhabitants in a multitude of ways. We must come to the realization that by doing so, we are hastening the extinction of all creatures, including ourselves.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Cathy Hudson

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**From:** Mary Mcdade [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 12:18:40 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is a vicious way for an animal to die. Additionally, traps frequently trap domestic animals, causing amputation of limbs and even death. I feel trapping is a barbaric method of catching animals which should be outlawed.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mary Mcdade

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**From:** Mari Dominguez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 12:22:01 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mari Dominguez

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**From:** Monica Archuleta [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 11:50:49 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Monica Archuleta

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**From:** Donna Bradley [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 08:42:32 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

The proposed changes are not adequate. A trap does not know what kind of animal it is ensnaring. More than 3 to 1, New Mexicans oppose trapping on public lands. We must make our laws reflect the humane intentions of our citizens.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Donna Bradley

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[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Melissa Meth [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 09:47:32 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Many different animals can be caught in a trap by mistake including dogs and humans. Trapping is inhumane and should not be allowed on any public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Melissa Meth

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**From:** Tim Scalzone [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 10:22:37 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Commissioners, It seems antiquated to allow people who have access to many forms of material to kill my wildlife. It is not necessary for our survival. It may be necessary for our fauna survival. Please limit as much as you can this antiquated activity on my public land in New Mexico. Yhank you, Tim Scalzone

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Tim Scalzone

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**From:** Connie Tull [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 06:56:40 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I enjoy mycology and you don't find mushrooms nicely placed next to the trail. You wander through the woods, over downed trees and wherever they take you. I think this barbaric practice of trapping risks my health as well as other mycophiles and the healthy wildlife that roam our forests. My preference would be zero traps...period.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Connie Tull

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Philip Delaplaine [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 08:40:19 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Philip Delaplaine

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**From:** Gerald Swanson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 11:25:29 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gerald Swanson

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**From:** sue harrington [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 12:59:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

sue harrington

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**From:** Jennifer Buntz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 09:34:22 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stop trapping wild animals on public lands

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping wild animals disrupts natural food webs, diminishes our wild and scenic places, and is completely unnecessary. Let species live; stop imposing our whims on the natural environment. Eliminate the risks to dogs and their people that these traps pose.

Thank you,

Jennifer Buntz

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Buntz

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**From:** mary ray cate [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 07:25:25 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stronger trapping rules needed

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To the NM State Game Commission:

I support stronger rules to regulate trapping in NM. The proposed rules are inadequate to protect humans and domestic animals and do not set limits on the number of animals caught. We need stronger rules that include the requirement that trappers must post signs on public lands and pay larger fees to cover the cost of enforcement. Trapping is a cruel and unnecessary activity and trappers can find other ways to earn a living. I believe it should be totally outlawed. But if the Commission is not going to ban all trapping you should limit it more strictly.

Mary Ray Cate, [REDACTED].

**From:** Maisy Carter [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 09:22:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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Please vote against trapping! It is very important to me as a citizen, and a human being. Thank you. My address is [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anne Burnett [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 12:01:00 PM  
**To:** abbas.akhil@nmlegis.gov; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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I would like to see all traps made illegal in this state - an outdated and cruel practice and unneeded. This is not a tradition that is viable and just like cockfighting was outlawed, so should be trapping! And let's be more on top of prosecuting criminals who disobey the rules - like Marty Cordova and the many unknown of his ilk. Thank you. Please take the high road and eliminate this barbaric practice

I have copied my state rep so that he is aware of my opposition.

Anne Burnett

**From:** Charles Fox [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 01:03:42 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

The problem of traps on public lands is well documented. Hidden, baited traps on public lands are a threat to people, companion animals, and wildlife of many species. The destruction will not stop until traps are removed from public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Charles Fox

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**From:** Kathrina Clark [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 04:01:43 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Game Commission

I think all traps should be banned from public lands in New Mexico ASAP, and the discussion about HB 366 should continue during the short legislative session in 2020!

You failed Roxy's owner more than twice. The general public is not safe from these trap on public lands in this state.

One: with the current trapping law infect when on that day Roxy ran into a wire snare. Now you want to just amend the current law or perhaps weaken it, but I don't see any protection for the general public, so this can't happen again!!! We need To BAN Trapping on ALL Public Lands in New Mexico and stop this most cruel hunting activity; such a barbaric, un-ethical and old-fashioned way in killing countless animals!

Two: after research done by game wardens and your commission in February Marty Cordova the killer of Roxy was charged with over 30 misdemeanors. His lawyer asked for some documentation, papers etc. and you, the current commissioners (appointed and installed sometimes in May by current government Michele Lujan) or perhaps the old commissioners, who had to resign in March (I believe) couldn't come up to these requests and also have mishandled important evidence with deleting videos taken at Cordova's residence and/or throwing out plastic bags, other very important evidence that was collected from his home.

Three: the judge will not have sufficient proof and requested paperwork for this case, therefore had to dismiss it and let this trapper go FREE! The current law(s) here failed to protect normal citizens from enjoying a walk with their domestic animals on public lands!

And Marty Cordova hasn't payed a dime for his crimes and is a free man to keep doing whatever he wants, including trapping!?!  
Hmmmh, I wonder if this commission actually has checked if he purchased a trapping license for upcoming season? If he actually marked his traps? If he actually will not trap in or near Santa Cruz Recreation Area, where per current fur bearers and trapping laws it is already illegal!

Today, after living 20 years in this state, and almost one year since we lost Roxy to that gruesome accident, it is not easy to go take my other dogs for a walk and let them have a good run on public lands near Espanola! They are these hidden land mines littering the landscape and my animals are not safe! I am constantly on the lookout for anything unusual! The public and these traps don't mix; they need to be banned, so we can enjoy this state in the 21st century, safely as Land of Enchantment not Land of Entrapment!

Prevention is the key by saying no to traps and change the law ASAP to ban them! Then we don't have to hear about another tragic trapping accident during this next season!

Regards Kathrina Clark!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Kathrina Clark

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**From:** Suzanne Eiseman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 02:12:23 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps and snares are dangerous to humans and inhumane to animals. Please do not trap on public lands!!!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Eiseman

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**From:** Katherine Belzowski [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 03:09:25 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is an antiquated and in-humane practice. Traps pose a unnecessary danger to humans, dogs, and endangered species. With New Mexico trying to become a name in the Outdoors Industry, it seems counter-intuitive to allow for relaxed trapping regulations. Why would people go hiking on our public lands if they or their dog's foot could end up in a trap. Also what is this B.S. about holding trappers harmless if I injure myself trying to rescue my dog. What am I suppose to do. Let my dog continue to suffer. I doubt any trapper would allow their dog to experience something like that. Lets move forward New Mexico. No one needs to Leonardo DiCaprio circa the Revenant out there.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Katherine Belzowski

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**From:** Bryan Bird [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 12:54:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Bryan Bird

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**From:** Judith Williams [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 12:44:20 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

In fact, trapping of any kins should be outlawed. Trapping is cruel, primitive, unnecessary and inhuman. I would like to think tht human understanding of wildlife and biodiversity has evolved over the last 150 years but I have to wonder. How much killing and skinning do we need? None by this method!!!

Please act responsibly and outlaw this barbaric practice.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

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**From:** Bonita Benko [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 12:46:59 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Our public land are precious. They allow an escape from the confinement? of the city and the the restrictions of our daily routines. They afford us a place to breathe, relax, re-acquaint ourselves with the awesome beauty of nature; and just as important, a reprieve from the continued threat of violence in our city streets. How can you allow that threat of danger and harm, introduced by man, in the form of traps, be carried into our public lands? Men, women, and indeed, children, will be subject to the dangers of those traps. Please, please, do not allow trapping on our public lands

Sincerely, Bonita Benko, La Jara, NM

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Bonita Benko

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**From:** Olive Wolff [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 03:25:17 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

There can NEVER be a reason for trapping innocent animals. What kind of a person would think of doing it? Is there an ignorant myth out there that animals do not feel pain as we do? Shameful!!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Olive Wolff

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**From:** John Traceski [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 03:54:00 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I hunt, hike, and fish on public lands with the aid of my 4 legged roommates. I would prefer not to have to risk the tragedy of having a companion animal become a statistic.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

John Traceski

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**From:** Marilyn Lohr [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 02:40:12 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Furbearer Rule Development

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State Game Commission:

I am writing to comment on proposed Department of Game and Fish rules for trapping fur bearing animals. The points I would like to make are these:

1. Traps are indiscriminate as to what steps into them. During the 2017-18 season over 5,100 protected fur bearers, i.e. foxes and bobcats were harvested (Journal editorial, October 19, 2019). It is also well known that many dogs find themselves trapped by these devices.

2. There appears to be little to no enforcement of what laws do exist. An example would be the case of the pet dog Roxy killed by a leg hold trap set by a trapper who had previously been cited 34 times for illegal trapping.

3. The majority of new Mexican voters do not support the use of traps and snares--69%.

4. The new rules propose setting a bag limit on fur bearers, however that number is unspecified by the proposal and is left up to the director and chairperson to set a limit for a given species and only for one year. This is vague, albeit, better than no limit.

In short, this is an unpopular and mostly not enforceable practice that is cruel and counterproductive to good environmental practices (i.e. catching unintended animals). For these reasons, partial rule changes are pointless. Leg hold traps need to be banned on all public lands.

I have had the unfortunate experience of witnessing a bobcat caught in a leg hold trap. It was horrific. I believe no one should be subjected to experiencing this type of cruelty.

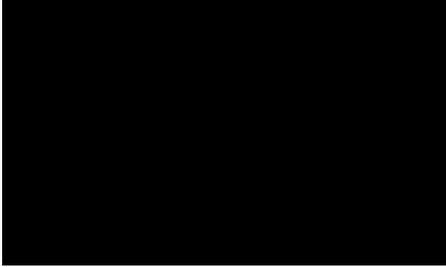
Sincerely,

Marilyn Lohr

**From:** Judy Calman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 12:58:46 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Furbearer Rule Development  
**Attachments:** Comments on trapping regulations NMDGF.pdf

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Dear Commissioners, attached please find our comments on the proposed changes to the Trapping and Furbearer Rule for 2020-2024. Thank you for your consideration, and please let us know if you have any questions.



*"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better, it's not" ~Dr. Seuss*

October 28, 2019

Joanna Prukop, Chair  
Roberta Salazar-Henry, Vice-Chair  
Jimmy Bates, Commissioner  
Gail Cramer, Commissioner  
Tirzio Lopez, Commissioner  
David Soules, Commissioner  
Jeremy Vesbach, Commissioner  
**New Mexico State Game Commission**

Michael Sloane, Director  
**New Mexico Department of Game and Fish**

Victor Reyes, Legislative Director for Governor Lujan Grisham  
**Office of the Governor**

via Electronic Mail

Dear Director Sloane, Chair Prukop, members of the New Mexico Game Commission, and Mr. Reyes,

Please accept our comments on the proposed changes to the trapping and fur bearer rule for 2020-2024. New Mexico Wild is a grassroots non-profit organization focusing primarily on public land protection in the state over the last 22 years. We have also been heavily involved with the Mexican wolf recovery program since its beginning, and our advocacy includes concern for endangered species, as well as for people who recreate on public land.

Overall, the Commission's proposal represents an inadequate effort to protect native wildlife, public lands, and companion animals, and one which various members of NMDGF and the Commission have stated publicly is intended to "preserve the future of trapping" despite trapping's opposition from the majority of New Mexicans. We believe that these proposed changes will do little to resolve several serious problems which currently occur because of this activity around the state.

Additionally, the Commission's proposal completely ignores several serious issues. Regulations do not currently mandate that trap locations be marked, signed, or for any warnings to be present. Presumably because anything can, and does, step into a trap, there are and will continue to be no penalties for unintentionally trapping non-target species, including endangered species, protected species, domestic animals, pets, humans or livestock. Trappers do not even pay a gross receipts tax on the fur and pelts they sell. None of these issues are addressed at all in the proposed rule change, and all of them deserve attention.

The North American game management model promotes the principles that wildlife is held in public trust, should not be commercialized, should be managed scientifically, and should not be used frivolously. Our organization believes that the use of traps on public lands is inconsistent

with our mission and also with the North American game management model, except in limited circumstances such as when part of agency wildlife plans and endangered species recovery, for scientific research, for protection of health and safety, etc. We believe the Commission should do everything it can to avoid the negative impacts trapping has on wildlife, public safety, and public lands, and that the proposal under consideration does too little, as outlined below.

### **Public Safety on Public Lands**

Only ~175,000 acres, or 0.5% of public lands in New Mexico, would be affected by the four closures proposed. That is a miniscule amount of the total land on which New Mexicans hike, bike, fish, hunt, camp, and watch wildlife. Department staff say that these are “high recreation use areas,” but have provided no data to differentiate these areas from the countless other public lands across the state that New Mexicans use. Moreover, there is no data to suggest that these areas are actually more prone to negative trapping incidents than others.

While the proposal’s closures may assuage the concerns of *some* urban New Mexicans that don’t venture far from home, they leave countless others vulnerable to encounters. Many New Mexicans and tourists alike enjoy utilizing public lands outside of the closure areas.

New Mexico’s growing outdoor recreation economy—reliant on our amazing public lands—is among our state’s greatest sustainable economic drivers and a priority of Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham. The creation of the Division of Outdoor Recreation is a step towards maximizing and promoting that financial resource. Our antiquated trapping rules are a threat to that economy. Maimed and killed companion animals and gruesome encounters with trapped, suffering wildlife are a blight on our reputation as a destination for outdoor recreation.

The increased setback around trailheads is welcome, but the omission of trails themselves is unconscionable. Department staff say that “trapper behavior” indicates that trappers won’t utilize trails because of the increased setback. Again, no data is provided to support this claim. If this claim is true, there is absolutely no reason that trails should not be closed entirely. At the same time, numerous incidents in past years where the public has found wildlife languishing in traps or experienced their dog caught in a trap have happened down-trail, miles beyond the trailhead.

If, as implied by closure areas and trailhead setbacks, traps represent a danger and a threat on New Mexico’s public lands, the real solution is a closure of all public lands. Closing some areas while leaving others unprotected is an inconsistency that favors some New Mexicans and leaves others exposed to the dangers and trauma imposed by traps.

### **Traps are Indiscriminate**

Traps are indiscriminate and pretending otherwise is willful ignorance. This fact has been born out across the world, the country, and in New Mexico. Approximately 40 endangered Mexican gray wolves have been caught by non-government traps since 1998. Non-target animals including ravens, black bears, ungulates, javelinas, cougars (including spotted kittens), ground dwelling birds, protected squirrels and of course domestic dogs have been caught—sometimes

injured, and sometimes killed—in New Mexico. Simply stating in the proposal that it is unlawful to take certain species does not actually represent a change in outcome in the field.

Both leghold traps and Conibear traps have a high potential for capturing and/or killing non-target animals. Field studies of the Conibear 120 Magnum (used to trap small animals such as minks and pine martens) have shown that non-targeted species constitute more than 73 percent of all captures. Other information shows that between 2 and 10 non-targeted animals are trapped for every target animal captured. Still other studies found that non-targeted animals constitute between 56 percent and 76 percent of leghold trap captures<sup>1</sup>.

The only way to ensure that non-target animals—including endangered, threatened, non-game, and domestic animals—are not caught in traps is to eliminate traps from the landscape except when used or overseen by scientific professionals.

### **Decimation of Native Wildlife for Commercial and Private Profit**

The NMDGF seems to support the continuation of trapping native species without sufficient population data on furbearer species. Instead, NMDGF relies on faulty methods to gauge population health. In their presentations about population health, Department staff has insinuated that high bobcat mortalities implies a healthy population, but an increase in swift fox mortalities would be cause for concern—this is a baffling inconsistency. “Catch per unit effort” is cited by the Department as being acceptable for bobcats, but this data is only gathered from successful bobcat trappers which creates an inherent bias that compromises this assertion—there is no accounting for the number of unsuccessful trappers that never report this data. As a result, the primary pillar on which the Department bases its knowledge—and the subsequent broad lack of bag limits and annual kill limits—is the opinion of trappers. The NMDGF is catering to trapper wishes by relying on those same trappers to inform its understanding of how native species populations are faring.

Without any actual, scientific studies on furbearer populations, we cannot know that trapping is not or will not harm these populations. We are living through the sixth mass extinction event in Earth's history. In New Mexico's fragile ecosystems, drought and other climate change implications will possibly make native species' existences that much more difficult. Biodiversity (both within populations and among different species) is key to the resilience of our ecosystems. There is no publicly available data to suggest that trapping is not harming that biodiversity and resilience.

Moreover, the persecution of native carnivores can have negative consequences for the biome. A study in the Henry Mountains of Utah found that jackrabbits were the main source of competition with cattle for fodder. Intensive culling of coyotes, the main predator of jackrabbits

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<sup>1</sup> G. Proulx and M. W. Barrett. “Field Testing the C120 Magnum for Mink” Wildlife Society Bulletin 21 (1993): 421–426.

to supposedly benefit cattle, has implication for the vegetative community that underpins ecosystem health and productivity.<sup>2</sup>

The North American Model of Conservation, which is often revered and cited by wildlife managers and policymakers, expressly seeks to eliminate markets for wildlife.<sup>3</sup> Yet the purpose of commercial trapping is for private trappers to profit from the sale of trapped animal pelts. For only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Another tenet declares that science is the proper tool for the discharge of wildlife policy, yet scientific data about the population densities, trends and effects of trapping are largely lacking when it comes to the species in New Mexico exploited for their fur. In short, commercial and recreational trapping is inherently at odds with the North American Model.

The Department should have thorough, scientific, peer-reviewed studies on all native furbearer species populations if it is going to allow harvest of those species, and even more so if it's going to extend trapping seasons for some species as is currently being considered. Until that precautionary principle is satisfied, commercial and recreational trapping should cease.

### **Furbearer “Management”**

Trapping has been touted by Department staff as a “legitimate” and “valuable” wildlife management tool. However, the type and scope of trapping has not been specified nor are the reasons stated for its necessity. There are no management plans for any trapped species, no stated goals, and no monitoring whether goals are being met, particularly for trapping by private individuals. New Mexico does not know the locations nor the number of traps set each year. Recreational and commercial trapping meets no known definition of the term “management” at all. Moreover, the majority of species trapped in New Mexico are self-regulating—populations are kept balanced by biological carrying capacity, social structures, and the establishing and defense of territories.

Trapping has not been shown to effectively protect against or mitigate livestock depredation concerns and in fact can exacerbate depredation risk when the rigid social structure of canid packs is disrupted by trapping.<sup>4</sup> Arizona and Colorado have both *heavily* restricted trapping and livestock depredation is not shown to have increased.<sup>5 6</sup>

Despite allusions to disease control by NMDGF staff during a presentation on the Proposal, a study on the Department’s own website states that “[t]he influence of trapping on the occurrence

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<sup>2</sup> Ranglack, Dustin H, et al. [J Appl Ecol](#). 2015 Apr; 52(2): 467–474. Published online 2015 Jan 26. doi: [10.1111/1365-2664.12386](https://doi.org/10.1111/1365-2664.12386)

<sup>3</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/North\\_American\\_Model\\_of\\_Wildlife\\_Conservation](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/North_American_Model_of_Wildlife_Conservation)

<sup>4</sup> Comelio, Randy. Spring 2018. Using Coyotes to Protect Livestock. Wait. What? [Oregon Small Farm News: Vol. XIII No. 2](#)

<sup>5</sup> <https://wildearthguardians.org/historical-archive/livestock-losses/>

<sup>6</sup> [https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal\\_health/nahms/general/downloads/cattle\\_calves\\_deathloss\\_2015.pdf](https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/nahms/general/downloads/cattle_calves_deathloss_2015.pdf)

and spread of wildlife diseases has not been established definitively.”<sup>7</sup> According to the Centers for Disease Control, the National Academy of Sciences and the World Health Organization, as well as numerous other scientific, public health and veterinary organizations, there is no scientific evidence that trapping controls the spread of disease such as rabies.

Because of social disruption, trapping can actually exacerbate disease outbreak as territories go up for grabs and the potential for physical contact caused by dispute increases. The rabies outbreak in gray foxes in southwest New Mexico in 2008 followed an extremely high level of take by trappers. Over 1300 gray foxes were trapped and killed in Grant county alone in the 2007-2008 trapping season. It would appear that trapping not only didn't prevent the outbreak, but it may have instigated and worsened it. Uncoordinated, unplanned, and sporadic recreational and commercial trapping cannot be said to have value in mitigating wildlife diseases like rabies.

Furthermore, trappers do not prize animals culled naturally—typically the ill, aged, infirm, and very young—which can keep wildlife populations healthy. Instead, trappers work against natural selection by removing the healthiest animals with the best fur and discarding the unhealthy ones as by-catch.

Trapping that is guided by the best available science, driven by a goal, follows a discreet plan, is species specific, geographically specific, and carried out by researchers or agency personnel, may or may not be a legitimate management tool. Commercial and recreational trapping does not meet those criteria. It is not a management tool and should not be described nor touted as such. For wildlife professionals including those at NMDGF to claim that commercial or recreational trapping is in any way managing wildlife is disingenuous at best and deceitful at worst.

## **Conclusion**

We see no evidence that commercial and recreational trapping provides any benefit to wildlife. It is prohibited in many areas of New Mexico such as National parks and Monuments, the Valles Caldera and even Game Commission owned lands already without negative consequences. For this reason—and given concerns about public safety and wildlife exploitation—we find it unacceptable anywhere in our state. But it is especially egregious when it occurs on public lands because of the conflict it creates with public use and values.

New Mexico Wild believes that traps should be eliminated on public lands in New Mexico except in extremely limited circumstances, and that there is overwhelming public support and reason to do so. We can see no reason to continue commercial fur trapping or to bow to the special interests of a few individuals. At a minimum we urge the Commission to make the use of traps and snares for private, commercial, or unrestricted depredation purposes restricted to private lands only. Thank you for your consideration of our comments.

Very Sincerely,

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<sup>7</sup> <http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/download/hunting/species/furbearers/Trapping-and-Furbearer-Management-in-North-American-Wildlife-Conservation.pdf>

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**From:** Teresa Pisaño [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 03:02:22 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Fwd: 4 Yr Plan RE: Trapping

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**Subject:** 4 Yr Plan RE: Trapping  
**Date:** Thu, 24 Oct 2019 10:34:43 -0600  
**From:** Teresa Pisaño [REDACTED]  
**To:** [dgf-furbearer-rules@state.nm.com](mailto:dgf-furbearer-rules@state.nm.com)

To whom & department this refers to: Please address the issue regarding trapping. Our Taos News Weekly recently had an article about this stating that NM Fish & Games has not (yet) responded. Please give serious consideration of attention. I personally against such barbaric traps of animals including persons who unknowingly stumble on to it. Thank you for at least a general public announcement. Teresa Pisano, [REDACTED] county Resident

**From:** James Tharp [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 01:17:40 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] The trapping and furbearer rules should be updated to reflect the 21st century. The small number of trappers should be evaluated for healthy mental outlook on There is no good reason to trap what small numbers of animals are left in the natural...

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Inhumane treatment of wild and domestic animals should become a criminalized act. Not only does "civilization infringe on the only wilderness left but to destroy these animals is a sure sign of sickness by whomever perpetrates this malicious act

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

James Tharp

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**From:** Britny Chrisman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 02:21:06 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Britny Chrisman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Nancy O [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 03:49:32 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Nancy O

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carla Kuiken [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 10:26:32 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] about trapping

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Dear DGF! It is so extremely high time - it is actually about 50 years too late - to finally get with civilization about trapping. There is no way to do it well, it causes enormous suffering, it is a danger to the public, all arguments for it have been disproven. It is just not of the 21st century, and certainly not in the lower 48. PLEASE update your department's philosophy and join the rest of the world. You don't work only for the trappers.

Thank you.

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Carla Kuiken

**From:** Suzanne Mizelle [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 07:55:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Animal cruelty

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Animal cruelty is now a felony on Federal National level. Trapping any animal is cruel AND...A... ,CRIME!

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Mizelle  
[REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 08:40:02 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Cc:** governor.state.nm.us@aol.com  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Trapping!

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I attended the 8/22/19 meeting in Santa Fe, and was so disappointed to see and hear that the commissioners are apparently all predisposed to continue to support and facilitate the inhumane and dangerous use of leg-hold traps and other similar indiscriminately cruel devices. From meeting privately with the trapping lobby to let them participate in drafting the minor and insignificant modifications that are being considered, to actually telling the concerned citizens who attended the meeting that "the trappers are nice people", and utilizing anecdotal data obtained from trappers in scientific looking graphs and charts to propose that the populations of bobcat and other fur-bearing creatures are "stable" and not endangered by the no-limit licensing, the commission is clearly biased.

Thankfully the citizens and the major print media outlets in the state have made it clear that this outdated and uncivilized policy is unacceptable, with prominent editorials, letters and opinion pieces crying out for a change that will outlaw these barbaric practices.

I ask the Governor to step in, and use her position and influence to follow through on the reputation that she built for sane and balanced policies that respect the wishes of her constituents, and not only the special interest groups like the trappers. At least 69% of New Mexicans agree that the traps must be banned!

David Birnbaum, [REDACTED]

**From:** Hugh Prather [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 01:35:19 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Trapping!

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Dear members of the Game Commission,

Thank you for the opportunity to voice my opinion and provide input on your upcoming rule setting in regard to trapping “fur bearers” on public lands.

This is an archaic and an abominable practice that must be banned. Animals, “fur bearing” animals are sentient—they feel. For one minute place yourself in the place of a fox, or skunk, or racoon—or any other “fur bearing” wild animal that has just sprung a trap. The pain!

Now, instead of the wild “fur bearer,” let that be your dog—a Border Collie, a German Shepherd—that has just sprung that trap. The pain!

Finally, instead of your dog, let that be your grandchild you’ve taken on a walk to share the beauties of our New Mexico open space who has just hollered over to you, “Hey Grandpa, what is THISSSSSSSS!” The pain.

Traps and snares are indiscriminate. Trapping is not a sport. It is barbaric and must be banned.

Thank you.

Hugh Prather

Hugh Prather  
[REDACTED]

**From:**



**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 04:17:48 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Hello! I do not want any traps on public lands anywhere anymore in New Mexico!!! Sincerely, Lory Slade

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Sierra Hemmig [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 04:08:26 PM  
**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us <IMCEAMAILTO-Joanna+2EPrukop+40state+2Enm+2Eus@namprd10.prod.outlook.com>; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear New Mexico Game Commissioners,

I'm writing to urge you to revise the proposed changes to the Trapping and Furbearers Rule for the 2020-2024 period. I have been working on public lands for the past five years, including time in service at USFWS. In this time, I've worked towards habitat restoration in cooperation with state wildlife agencies and members of the public, including hunters and fisherman. With this experience, I can confidently say that many residents of NM, including hunters, are appalled by the lenient, unethical, and illogical rules regarding trapping in our state.

Trapping is in and of itself truly unsportsmanlike and has a high rate of damage and mortality to non-target species of wildlife. It also poses a safety risk to humans, livestock, and pets. Please consider prioritizing the health of our wildlife populations and humans that use our public lands. Consider banning trapping on public lands. We have nothing to lose and a safer, more ecologically diverse community to gain.

Thank you,

Sierra Hemmig

**From:** Molly [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 03:13:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Changes to rules

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Game Commission Members,

I am writing regarding the proposed changes to furbearer trapping rules. At a minimum, traps must be 1 mile from ANY trail, picnic area, campground or ANY OTHER public use area.

Further, trapping is inhumane and barbaric and has no place in this day and age. It is a fact of life that some so-called traditional customs are out of date and need to be stopped. The majority of New Mexicans support a trapping ban.

Sincerely,

Molly Magnuson

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Clare Varshay [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 12:17:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

What a cruel way for an animal to die. Not only is it inhumane and beyond our modern capabilities, it is indiscriminate. I am very sad to see that our modern and thoughtful New Mexico Game Commission is still allowing this. Please consider reversing this archaic practice.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Clare Varshay

[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Jamie Dolan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 10:34:11 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jamie Dolan

[REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED]

**From:** James Bolton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 07:10:37 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

James Bolton

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Munro Sickafoose [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 06:59:50 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Wildlife numbers have plummeted the last few decades, and we need to preserve the remaining populations that are under stress from human encroachment - not kill them.

Thanks,  
Munro Sickafoose

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Munro Sickafoose

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**From:** David And Leslie Patterson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 10:25:18 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It is inconceivable to me that in the extinction crisis we are in that OUR public lands are being used to trap and kill needlessly the animals that Have lived there for thousands of years. The fish and game community should know how interconnected all of life is. I urge you to start protecting what's left of our diminishing wildlife instead of allowing it the be destroyed.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David And Leslie Patterson

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**From:** Gail Jane Schwartz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 08:09:52 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gail Jane Schwartz  
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**From:** Grace Perez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 10:46:44 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

My position is based on two main factors. New Mexico Statutes 30-18-1 address cruelty to animals, and there is no doubt in my mind that traps for furbearing species pose an unnecessary and unwanted level of cruelty. Additionally, there is no guarantee as to what species will be caught in these traps, from threatened or endangered species to domesticated animals (e.g., my dog) to humans who inadvertently step on our touch a trap. Paraphrasing the Sierra Club, the simple fact that the Sandia Mountains and Organ Mountains may become off limits to trapping signifies that traps and the public are a bad mix. For these reasons this is both a pragmatic and moral issue. Please make all furbearing traps illegal on New Mexico's public lands.

Thank you for your consideration.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Grace Perez  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Parisse Bales [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 10:37:22 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Wildlife is pertinent to our planets survival, trappings are destructive to all

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Parisse Bales  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Terry Reser [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 12:26:07 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Terry Reser

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**From:** Diane Forsdale [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 12:55:00 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps are a threat to all wildlife, as well as humans and dogs. Would you want your dog to have his leg maimed by a trap? I most certainly would not. Please oppose trapping on NM's public public lands - public lands should be a place of refuge for animals and ALL wildlife.

Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Diane Forsdale

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**From:** Jim Nelson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 09:41:51 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is ferociously cruel, in particular that done with steel leg-hold traps. Aside from its cruelty to its targets, trapping kills non-target, non-pest animals. This "bycatch" is not of concern to trappers, who just throw such victims "away". Traps on public lands are dangerous to humans and their pets, neither of whom should need to remain on a trail to feel safe from being hurt by a trap.

What is the purpose of trapping? To kill furbearing animals for their pelts, which are made into luxury clothing. Do you need to wear fur clothing? Don't you think it looks better on a live animal than on someone's shoulders? I do, and I want to continue hiking our --my-- wild public lands without fear of running into a killing machine set by someone who has no love for the beauty and freedom of wild animals.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jim Nelson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Walker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 01:03:43 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Karen Walker

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**From:** Anna Brewer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 01:31:42 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Anna Brewer

PC [REDACTED]

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**From:** Susan Kutz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 01:43:25 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Susan Kutz

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**From:** Deborah Nesbitt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 05:00:21 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Deborah Nesbitt

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**From:** Irene Dorman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 05:05:08 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Irene Dorman

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**From:** Elyssa Tasker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 05:15:03 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

There isn't really anything I can say to you that hasn't been said over and over by others about how inhumane trapping is and how it needs to stop. It is a cruel practice with a horrid slow and painful demise to the victims. Just stop

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Elyssa Tasker

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**From:** Hara Davis [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 05:15:29 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

All line trapping should be banned from public lands. Cyanide traps should be banned everywhere as cruel and unnecessary. The extirpation of many species for the fur trade is an archaic example of "life in the old west". With global climate change and historic fires we hardly need fur [coats](#). In this day we need voices for the animals and places where they live. Please update your mission and ban trapping on public lands. Hara Davis

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Hara Davis

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**From:** Tracy Mcfarland [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 09:30:23 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Tracy Mcfarland

[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Christy Reeves [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 05:22:40 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Christy Reeves

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Cheryl Scher [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 05:25:32 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Scher

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**From:** Larry Grunspan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 05:33:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Larry Grunspan

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**From:** Nora Bueno [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 07:18:03 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please end the war on wildlife! I oppose poisons and trapping on public lands because it is cruel, it is indiscriminate, it is unscientific, and it is a shame that this unnecessary and unethical practice is still backed by the state of New Mexico.

I don't live in New Mexico but I care about the wildlife of every state.

Traps, including leg-hold traps, wire snares, and body-crushing devices, and poisons do not differentiate between species and pose an indiscriminate danger to all. Traps and poisons cause death and harm to many animals including bears, bobcats, foxes, endangered wolves, otters, and companion animals.

A person does not have to be a scientist to know that all species have a purpose and a role in the ecosystem.? Plus, there are other non lethal methods in order to coexist with wildlife. We can't just kill wildlife because we feel is a nuisance or for the economic interest of ranchers/farmers!

?"Only when the last tree has died and the last river been poisoned and the last fish been caught will we realize we cannot eat money"?? Cree Indian Proverb

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

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**From:** Beth Shemo [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 07:24:05 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Beth Shemo

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**From:** Barbara Rockwell [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 08:11:43 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is the worst form of animal cruelty. The role of Game and Fish is to "protect and conserve" the wildlife of NM according to its own mission statement. How can trapping be consistent with this mission? The vast majority of New Mexicans are opposed to trapping. Why is GandF pandering to a tiny minority of people who torture animals for their own personal profit? Make no mistake: trapping is torture.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Barbara Rockwell

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**From:** Julie Kutz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 08:59:34 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This is a very simple change that is completely necessary: no trapping on public lands...period. I am a life long resident of New Mexico and have hiked everywhere there are public lands in our beautiful state. It is horrifying and truly angering to think that there are indiscriminate traps scattered across our precious public lands that are just waiting to destroy wildlife, including non-targeted species. And on top of it all, these traps are out there laying in wait to snare mine and other's dogs! This is so wrong. Trapping is cruel, it is an archaic practice and NMDGF should not even be changing rules to continue to allow any form of trapping on public lands. The proposed rules are only appropriate for private lands, public lands should not even be considered for anything other than ending trapping for good. Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Julie Kutz

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**From:** Jimmie Thompson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 07:45:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

There is no economic or ethical reason to continue the cruel and inhumane practice of trapping.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jimmie Thompson

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**From:** Sean Corbin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 06:47:05 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sean Corbin  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** David Brenner [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 06:31:41 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping needs to stop.....now! This is barbaric and outdated and hazardous to people and domestic animals. C?mon, already!!!!

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Brenner

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**From:** John Gordon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 06:19:07 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I have had two different dogs caught in traps only 10 minutes from Socorro. I know it was on BLM land. Nevertheless I would consider trapping on state land would benefit a very small fee yet pose a threat to many. I think it is a cruel unnecessary activity which historically has run its course.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

John Gordon  
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**From:** Maya Anthony [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 04:27:49 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I have personally been impacted by traps on public lands that have significantly changed my perception of safety while using public lands. Since my dog was caught in a trap while out in the Carson National Forest, and my mother and I suffered injuries as a complication of this experience, I have been an advocate for a ban on trapping on NM public lands and will continue to do so until the NM Game Commission makes a change for the betterment of all New Mexicans experiences on our public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Maya Anthony

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**From:** Ingrid Bucher [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 04:23:44 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I would like you to outlaw all trapping on public lands. It is not only cruel and endangers recreational hikers but it upsets the ecological equilibrium .

Predators kill mice that carry hantavirus.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ingrid Bucher

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**From:** Sara Graziosa [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 05:50:13 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sara Graziosa

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**From:** C Scullin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 09:43:38 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

The practice is DANGEROUS AND CRUEL! And BENEATH WHAT NEW MEXICO STANDS FOR. Change the rule to eliminate trapping or lose tourists when word gets out!

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

C Scullin

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**From:** Elisabeth Dicharry [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 10:54:24 AM  
**To:** oanna.Prukop@state.nm.us; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF  
**Cc:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comments on Proposed Changes: Trapping and Furbearer Rule  
**Attachments:** Comments on NMDGF Proposed Trapping and Furbearing Rule-1.pdf

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Good Morning Commissioners:

I have attached a PDF file of my comments about the proposed changes to the trapping and furbearing rule.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. I have also cc'ed my comments to NMDGF.

Thank you,  
Elisabeth Dicharry

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**From:** renee blake [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 10:15:37 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] End trapping in New Mexico

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- Trapping is **cruel**: trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.
- Trapping is **indiscriminate**: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.
- Trapping is **a public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in [amputation](#) and, in [two cases](#), death. Traps are a danger to people too.
- Trapping is **a drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Sincerely,

Beth Blakeman  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Guy Dicharry [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 09:57:22 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF  
**Cc:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Furbearer Rule Comment  
**Attachments:** COMMENTS\_FB RULE.pdf

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Good morning Commissioners,

I have attached my Comment on the Furbearer Rule and have also sent a copy to the NM Department of Game and Fish.

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Guy Dicharry, Attorney

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October 29, 2019

New Mexico State Game Commission  
New Mexico Department of Game and Fish

Re: Comment on Furbearer Rule Proposed Changes

Dear Commissioners:

I am a licensed hunter and angler in New Mexico. I am writing to comment on the proposed furbearer rule.

### **1. General comment on trapping of furbearers**

My default position is that traps, snares, and poisons have no place on our public lands and they should be banned. The push to ban trapping on public lands has gained momentum and enjoys widespread public support as a direct result of the refusal of predecessor Game Commissioners to adopt meaningful regulations and restrictions on trapping. I hike, camp, hunt, fish, and ride horses on public lands. I am aware that the Commission is unlikely to impose such a ban, so I am commenting on specific aspects of the trapping rules in the hope that this Commission starts to regulate furbearer trapping in a meaningful way. If not, I expect that another bill to ban trapping on public lands will be introduced in the next 60-day session.

### **2. Appropriation of public land for private commercial use to the exclusion of others.**

In New Mexico, trapping is a wholly commercial activity in that trappers take pelts in order to sell them. Trapping represents a commercial use of public lands to the *de facto* exclusion of other users. When one multiplies the number of traps by the amount of land needed for trapping, the result is a very large amount of public land being appropriated for private commercial use, effectively excluding other users. Sometimes, I bring my dogs along and they are off leash in areas where we are not likely to encounter other hikers or people on horseback. In addition, it is impossible to have a dog on a leash when riding a horse. The trappers' position -- leash your dogs and stay on the trail -- illustrates the trappers' attitude that they are entitled to exclude other users from public lands for the sole purpose of engaging in a commercial, for-profit activity. Non-trapping public land users have an equal right of access to public lands that are not littered with traps.

### **3. Season**

Define a season for all furbearing species, including unprotected species. The year-round open season for unprotected furbearers should be eliminated. At public hearings, trappers have emphasized that the best time for the obtaining the thickest fur is during the winter months, so the trapping season should be limited to those months. Shorten the season for all protected and unprotected furbearers to December 1 to March 1. Those dates would correspond to optimum fur development and would reduce the incidence of user conflicts.

### **4. Reporting take**

Initiate a reporting requirement for all species trapped and snared including both protected and unprotected furbearers (coyotes and skunks), and non-target species. The numbers should include by-catch species caught and released. The Department collected data on coyotes and skunks (including

subspecies designation for skunks) until about 2013. Those species generate income for trappers and the take numbers should be included in mandatory reporting.

## **5. Bag Limits**

Set meaningful bag limits for all furbearing species including unprotected species. There is no justification for unlimited furbearer take in a situation where (1) the Department lacks reliable data on furbearer populations; and (2) a profit motive drives the take of protected and unprotected furbearers.

## **6. Licensure**

The Commission should require a license for anyone -- regardless of age -- engaged in the trapping of protected or unprotected furbearers. Current regulations require a license only for the furbearer species identified in NMSA §17-5-2. Trapping is a commercial activity in which income is generated through the take of protected and unprotected furbearers, a resource that the state holds as a public trust for the benefit of all. There is no reasonable justification to exempt from licensure anyone who is trapping any protected or unprotected furbearer. The Commission should repeal the current trapping license exemptions, including the ones based on age. Current license fees are inadequate and need to be increased substantially. I support an increase in the price of licenses to at least the amounts proposed during the 2019 legislative session.

## **7. Removal of animals from traps/disarming traps**

No one should be prosecuted for attempting to alleviate the fear and suffering of a furbearer caught in a trap by releasing that animal from a trap and allowing it to return to the wild. If trappers continue to set traps in areas where non-trappers are likely to see a trapped living animal (a regular occurrence), then a person should be allowed to free that animal from the trap without being prosecuted for it. A live animal in a trap is no different than an elk or a deer that's lined up in the sight on my bow: still a living, wild animal that does not belong to me.

If a person finds traps on public lands and the traps pose an immediate risk to that person or their property, then that person should be allowed to disarm the traps in protection of self and property without being prosecuted. Disarming traps would allow the non-trapper to use the public land in relative safety. Criminalizing the conduct of the non-trapper, in effect, acknowledges that the trapper has paramount rights to the use of that public land to the effective exclusion of others, a situation 100% at odds with the philosophy of multiple uses. Importantly, "multiple uses" doctrine does not require that every conceivable use be allowed. A use (trapping) that creates unreasonable risk or danger to other legitimate users should not be treated as the paramount right of use.

In fact, the USDA Forest Service prohibits such risks. The federal regulation below makes clear that someone placing objects that are an impediment or hazard to the safety and convenience of any person is acting illegally on Forest Service lands.

### 36 C.F.R. §261.10 Occupancy and use.

The following are prohibited:

- (f) Placing a vehicle **or other object** in such a manner that it is an impediment or hazard to the safety or convenience of any person.

The Commission needs to reconsider and repeal any regulations creating criminal liability for humane and protective conduct by non-trappers. The Commission should require reporting of the conduct by non-trappers once the conduct is de-criminalized.

## **8. Comments in response to specific proposals by NMDGF**

### NMDGF Proposal: Four-year rule

Comment: The Commission should evaluate the rule annually due to the number of species affected. The rate of climate change/habitat change has increased. A four-year moratorium on addressing changes to the rule is an unnecessary and arbitrary impediment to assessments that may be needed more frequently than every four years. Population and take data can be assembled and analyzed much more quickly than in the past. There is no need to delay action for a four-year period.

### NMDGF Proposal: Mandatory trapper education.

Comment: This is an improvement over the current situation.

### NMDGF Proposal: Area Closures.

Comment: This proposal is an improvement over the current situation, but needs to be expanded. In addition to the above recommendations, I ask the Commission to consider additional closures (not an exhaustive list, but illustrative of the types of areas the Commission should consider):

- Additional high recreational use, high-conflict areas in the Mountainair Ranger District, specifically in the Manzano Mtns.
- Magdalena Ranger District high recreational use areas
- Santa Fe National Forest high recreational use areas
- Caja del Rio area near Santa Fe
- Ojito Wilderness – this is a high use area for recreation located primarily on BLM land
- Carson National Forest high use areas
- Quebradas Scenic Byway in Socorro County – BLM land
- Mexican Gray Wolf Recovery Area
- public lands that are adjacent to wildlife refuges, national parks and monuments, state park lands, private lands, in and adjacent to crucial wildlife corridors such as the Rio Grande, Chama, Gila, and Pecos rivers. See the Crucial Habitat Assessment Tool:

[https://nhnm.unm.edu/sites/default/files/nonsensitive/field/image/NM\\_CHAT\\_Map.jpg](https://nhnm.unm.edu/sites/default/files/nonsensitive/field/image/NM_CHAT_Map.jpg)

### NMDGF Proposal -- Setback Distances

Comment: The setback should be a one-mile radius from the closest point along the exterior boundary of designated trailheads, designated and signed roadside rest areas, picnic areas, occupied dwellings, and established and maintained public campgrounds or boat launches. It is noted that public campgrounds and boat launches are already subject to a half-mile setback, another reason to increase the setback to a one-mile radius. If the Commission adopts the half-mile setback, the rule should state expressly that the setback is a 0.5 mile radius from the closest point along the exterior border of the specific area. That will prevent someone from claiming that the reference point should be the center of a campground or boat launch which, in some cases, may be a point up to one-quarter mile inside the exterior boundary. In that example, a half-mile setback would be reduced by 50%, rendering the setback meaningless. Regardless of the action taken on setbacks, the method of measuring the setback needs to be clarified in the rule.

The proposal is silent with regard to the current -- and woefully inadequate -- setback from trails and roads. The existing rule requires only a 25-yard setback from a road or trail as defined in the rule. A *de minimis* setback of 25 yards simply encourages trapping in areas where user conflicts are likely to occur. I emphasize again that trapping results in the appropriation of public land for private commercial profit to the exclusion of other users. A minimum setback from trails and roads as defined in the rule should be measured in a 0.5 mile radius from the closest edge of the trail or road.

### NMDGF Proposal -- trap sizes, types, modifications

Comment: The Commission should consider setting limits on the number of traps being set by any one trapper. Snares that cause immediate strangulation/asphyxiation of animals should be prohibited. Snares

cause immediate death by strangulation/asphyxiation and there is no way to prevent that from happening to pets and non-target take if the Commission allows the use of those devices.

Thank you for taking the time to read and consider these comments.

Sincerely yours,  
*/s/ Guy Dicharry*

**From:** New Mexico Department of Game & Fish <nmdgf@public.govdelivery.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 12:00:51 PM  
**To:** Montoya, Jennifer, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] New Mexico Wildlife - Monthly Update - October 2019

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## Photographer's Lens: lesser prairie chickens

Grant Beauprez, the lesser prairie-chicken biologist for the Department, shares his photos of this special bird found in southeastern New Mexico. [Read more and view the photos.](#)

## Web Exclusive: Meet Chris Johnson, OHV education coordinator

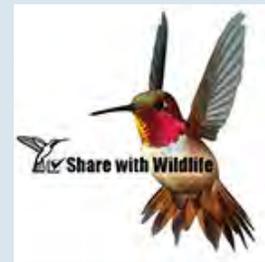
In an interview with *New Mexico Wildlife*, Chris Johnson, off-highway vehicle (OHV) coordinator for the Department talks about OHVs and motorcycle riding on public lands. [Read the interview.](#)



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## Four more black-footed ferrets released



The Department released four additional black-footed ferrets at a ranch in Wagon Mound in late September in an effort to augment a small population reintroduced at the site a year earlier.

[Read more.](#)

## The math in the meat: A discussion on venison



James Pitman, assistant chief of information with the Department and an avid hunter, discusses venison yields and nutrition. [Read more.](#)

## Recipe: Grilled trout with herb butter



Rainbow trout can be served a variety of ways including simply grilled. [Try this recipe.](#)



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**From:** Catherine & Karen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 08:58:04 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Pass STRONG trapping rules, not those currently under consideration

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We write to strongly urge you to pass STRONG trapping rules, such as Roxy's Law that was considered by the state legislature recently.

The rules you are presently considering are highly inadequate to protect our citizens, pets and precious wild life. We do not need to reiterate all the reasons this is true. Please do NOT pass such weak, antiquated rules.

"Tradition" is no excuse for dangerous, barbaric behavior. It's time to act like conscious, caring stewards of all life. You can help make that happen.

Thank you,

Karen Keeney  
Catherine Salvesson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Andy Carmone [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 06:41:50 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Andy Carmone

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**From:** Angela Buckley [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 08:58:15 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Angela Buckley

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**From:** Janet Uffer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 09:07:04 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Janet Uffer

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: 02/26/2017 09:27 AM  
To: DCF, Department of Game and Fish, Susan Harris, Barbara, DCF, Verbach, Irene, DCF, Pruing, Irene, DCF, Blum, Irene, DCF, Andrea David, DCF, Lopez, Yvonne, DCF  
Subject: HXVI Re: Sue To To Dogs

**To current Game Commission of state of New Mexico**

I think all traps should be banned from public lands in New Mexico ASAP, and the discussion about HB 366 should continue during the short legislative session in 2017

You failed Rony's owner more than twice. The general public is not safe from these traps on public lands in this state.

One: with the current trapping law in effect when on that day Rony ran into a wire snare. Now you want to just amend the current law or perhaps weaken it, but I don't see any protection for the general public, so this can't happen again!! We need To BAN Trapping on ALL Public Lands in New Mexico and stop this most cruel hunting activity, such a barbaric, un-ethical and old-fashioned way in killing countless animals!

Two: after research done by game warden and your commission in February Marty Cordova the killer of Rony was charged with over 30 misdemeanors. His lawyer asked for some documentation, papers etc. and you, the current commissioners (appointed and unaffiliated sometimes in May by current government Michele Lujan) or perhaps the old commissioners, who had to resign in March (I believe) couldn't come up with these requests and also have unhandled important evidence with deleting videos taken at Cordova's residence and/or throwing out plastic bags, other very important evidence that was collected from his home.

Three: the judge will not have sufficient proof and requested paperwork for this case, therefore had to dismiss it and let this trapper go FREE!! The current law(s) here failed to protect normal citizens from enjoying a walk with their domestic animals on public lands!

And Marty Cordova hasn't paid a dime for his crimes and is a fire man who keep doing whatever he wants, including trapping!! Hummm, I wonder if this commission actually has checked if he purchased a trapping license for sporting seasons? If he actually marked his traps? If he actually will not trap in or near Santa Cruz Recreation Area, where per current law beacons and trapping laws it is already illegal!

Today, after living 20 years in this state, and almost one year since we lost Rony to that gruesome accident, it is not easy to go take my other dogs for a walk and let them have a good run on public lands near Espanola! They are these hidden land mines lurking the landscape and my animals are not safe! I am constantly on the lookout for anything unusual! The public and these traps don't mix, they need to be banned, so we can enjoy this state in the 21st century, safely as Land of Enchantment not Land of Entanglement!

Prevention is the key by saying NO to traps and change the law ASAP to ban them! Then we don't have to hunt about another tragic trapping accident during this next season!

Regards,

Katherine Clark



Sent from my iPad

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 02:37:39 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stop trapping

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This is my opinion to the Department of Game and Fish about trapping in the state. Please for once listen to the vast majority in this state who do no want trapping of any kind. It is so cruel, outdated, indiscriminate and totally not wanted. Furs are out! To bow down to a very small minority is wrong. Please please just say NO and end ALL trapping everywhere in this state, including all traps, snares and poisons. Too many innocent lives are being lost and at risk. Are you going to wait until a child is caught?

The Department of Game and Fish is supposed to protect our wildlife, which is all in danger.

Please do the right thing this time! And I do vote!

Thank you (if you do the right thing).

Lori Schanwald

*Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE device*

**From:** Melody Van Hoose [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 09:27:27 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping and furbearer rule comment

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I am a hiker who goes regularly with my dog into the wilderness and on public lands and it would break my heart if he got his foot into a trap and died because of your negligence to remove these dangerous contraptions from the wilderness.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Melody Van Hoose

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**From:** Kristin Risley [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 04:00:27 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Ban

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To the NM Department of Game & Fish:

I live in Santa Fe and I want you to know that I am adamantly opposed to traps, snares and poisons on all public lands. These are indiscriminate killers and Do Not belong anywhere in the State of NM, but particularly on public land. There have been too many deaths and horrific injuries to protected wildlife and to pets by these barbaric methods.

Nobody in my extended family feels safe biking or hiking with our dogs being at risk for injury or death from these methods of trapping.

Please put an end to this now.

Thank you,

Kristin Risley

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Thomas Smidt II [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 02:50:44 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping on Public Lands

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For numerous reasons, no trapping on public lands should be allowed anywhere in New Mexico.

Tom Smidt

Thomas Smidt II

[REDACTED]

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**From:** HELEN Whitesides [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 10:45:58 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping on public lands

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I write in protest of any trapping on public lands in the state of New Mexico. It is inhumane. It is absolutely unnecessary. It is incredibly dangerous. This state cannot promote outdoor recreation while such an indiscriminate practice is allowed. It puts people in danger - their children and pets - of unrecognized traps and snares. It is a merciless "sport." New Mexico should move beyond this barbaric activity.

This protest is registered by an 80 year old native New Mexican who grew up on the east side of the state.

Helen Gordon Whitesides

**From:** Elizabeth Gordon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 11:10:59 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping rules

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I am opposed to trapping on public lands. I'm convinced that many, not all, trappers push the limits on where traps can be placed. I'm a dog owner and would certainly hate to have one of my dogs experience Roxy's death. Wild animals should have a quick death at the hands of man, not this lingering torturous death by trap or snare. DGF should do better. Please, do not allow the use of traps and snares on public land.

Elizabeth Gordon  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** George and Susan Key [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/28/2019 03:41:11 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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**This practice should be prohibited—period! We are not living in the middle ages where people need pelts.**

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 04:34:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] Animal cruelty

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-----Original Message-----

From: Suzanne Mizelle [REDACTED]  
Sent: Monday, October 28, 2019 7:55 PM  
To: Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
Subject: [EXT] Animal cruelty

Dear Tirzio Lopez,

Animal cruelty is now a felony on Federal National level. Trapping any animal is cruel AND...A... ,CRIME!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Mizelle

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**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 05:29:07 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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-----Original Message-----

From: Christy Reeves [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2019 5:23 PM  
To: Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
Subject: [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

Dear Tirzio Lopez,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Christy Reeves

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 05:28:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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-----Original Message-----

From: Cheryl Scher [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2019 5:26 PM  
To: Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
Subject: [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

Dear Tirzio Lopez,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Scher

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 05:23:57 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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-----Original Message-----

From: Christy Reeves [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2019 5:23 PM  
To: Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
Subject: [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

Dear Tirzio Lopez,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Christy Reeves

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 05:05:15 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] NMTA

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-----Original Message-----

From: Chance Thedford [REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, October 21, 2019 7:32 AM

To: Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Soules, David, DGF

Subject: [EXT] NMTA

To: New Mexico Game Commission

In lieu of the court dismissing the charges against Marty Sandoval for illegally trapping in Santa Cruz Lake Recreation area, myself and the NMTA Board of Directors would like to let you know our feelings on this.

We never have and never will condone illegal or unethical trapping. The ninety nine percent of legal trappers in New Mexico have suffered greatly because of the one percent of people who have no regard for ethics, laws or the well being of furbearers in our state. We are very disappointed in the dismissal of these charges and once again we are the ones to suffer. The NMTA strongly encourages the commission to direct the Department to aggressively pursue refiling charges and seek a successful prosecution of this case.

Below I have written our expectation of members, which is written on every membership form and is on our website.

Our motto Promoting wise use of our natural resources is on our banners.

The NMTA expects its members to be: lawful, always following NM trapping statutes and rules; respectful/ thoughtful of other trappers, users, and landowners; and ever diligent in improving their equipment and techniques to ensure the ethical capture, treatment and/or dispatch of the animals they encounter on the trapline.

Chance Thedford

President NMTA

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/29/2019 05:04:43 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: You have new held messages

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**From:** Domain postMaster address [mailto:postmaster@state.nm.us]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 21, 2019 10:11 AM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** You have new held messages



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**From:** Joe Dirtsky [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 05:07:33 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Abq Area Trapper Comment

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Hello,

I am an APS teacher and trapper living in the Greater Albuquerque Metro Area. I trap with my five year old son and two year old daughter now. I have never once caught a domesticated animal trapping in this area for 10 years. Closing off the entire Sandia Ranger District to trapping would completely eliminate the feasibility of my family continuing our trapping tradition. Maybe a setback of 1/2 mile from CABQ city limits would be more appropriate than closing an entire ranger district to trapping. Extreme solutions will create feelings of disenfranchisement and alienate law abiding citizens. My family and I use the Sandia Ranger District lands for both recreational (hiking, biking) and trapping and hunting uses, especially in the part of the district that falls South of I-40. Real solutions seek compromise and do not alienate minority groups.

#BalanceNotExtremism

Thanks,

Filiberto Martinez

**From:** Mills O'Connor [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 02:31:31 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] All traps must be banned

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Hello,

Since becoming a New Mexico resident, I have only heard of more and more horrifying trappings. I cannot adequately express my complete outrage for this unethical behavior. I do not want to see anymore pictures of tortured animals, wild or domesticated. I do not want to be scared to hike with my dog- on leash even. I cannot be convinced of traps serving any valid purpose. I hereby request as a NM constituent that all traps be banned from the state. I am especially committed to ending this barbaric hobby since learning of a local dog being ensnared and killed. The man from Espanola that has trapped and done this type of thing for years got off on a technicality. I do not trust ranchers, hunters or the game & fish dept. to be of integrity with tighter rules and restrictions. We need to have a zero tolerance law to be clear. Anything less will prolong unethical suffering for innocent animals, perpetuate fear and dread amongst outdoorsman and draw out additional legal challenges. Please end this now as we know, it's the right thing to do. Dont wait for someone's child to step in a trap, don't wait.

Best regards,

Mills O'Connor  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cindy King [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 12:51:39 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Furtrapping on public land

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Please consider to end cruel and unnecessary furtapping on the New Mexico public lands. Too many animals have suffered from trapping and it is often that the furtrappers do not check their traps frequently as should.

The following reasons to ban trapping are as to follow.

Trapping is cruel: trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation and even self-amputation and deaths.

Trapping is indiscriminate: unlike hunting, traps main and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.

Trapping is a public safety hazard: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in amputation and, in two cases, death. Traps are a danger to people, too.

Trapping is a drain on wildlife: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch.

Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species - in many cases, key ecosystem engineers - for private profit.

Thank you,

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Cindy King

"You may say I'm a Dreamer but I'm not the only one." -- John Lennon

**From:** Diane Engles [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 11:20:00 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban trapping now.

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Ban trapping in New Mexico. I love New Mexico as a visitor but am horrified by your backward stance on trapping. I urge you to ban the practice now. I am less likely to visit New Mexico because of the legality of this cruel practice.

It is cruel, indiscriminate and damaging to the ecosystem. Trapping is **a drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. It is high time to end the suffering of wildlife and domestic animals in traps.

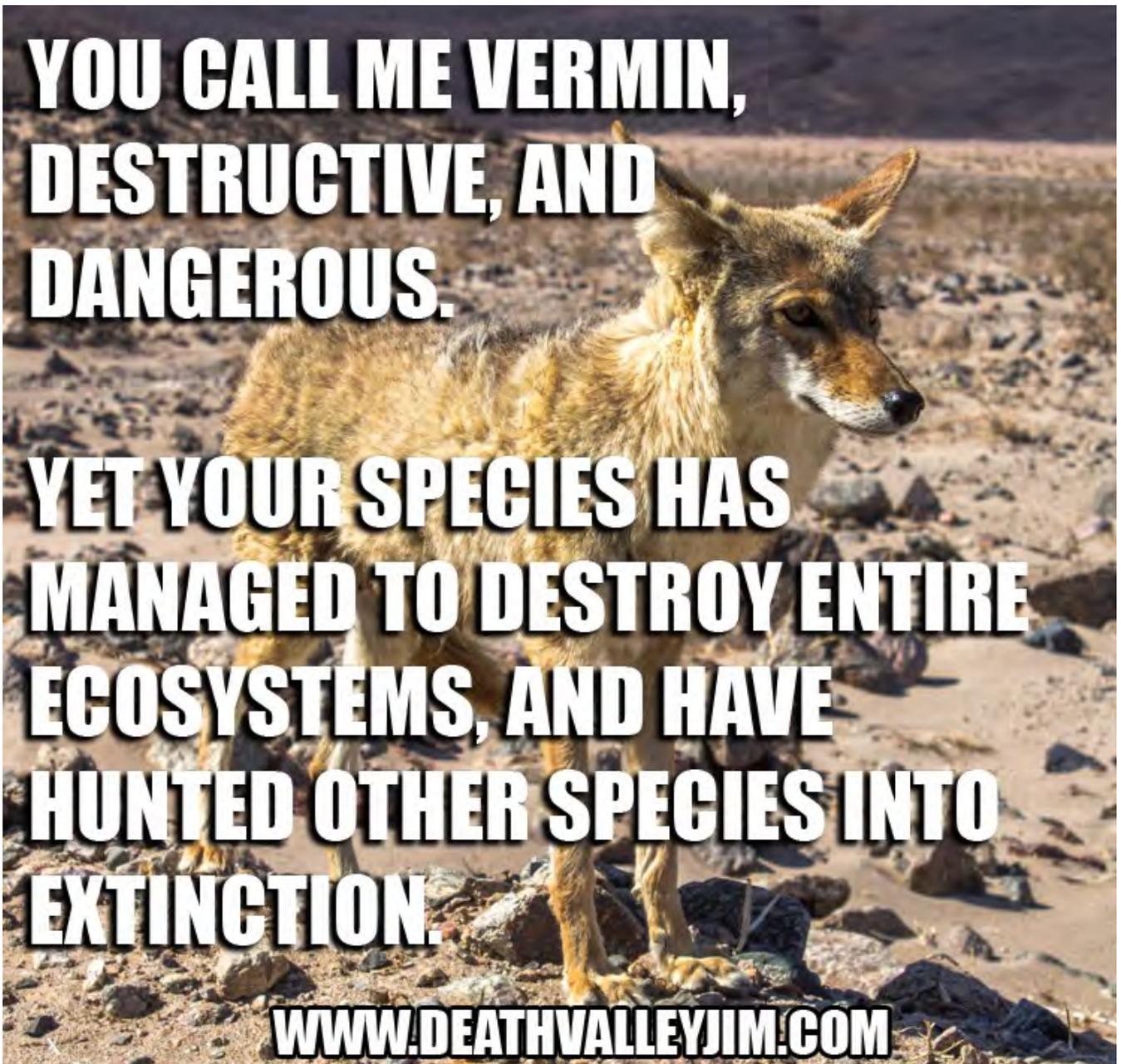
**From:** magpie rankin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 09:14:02 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] BAN TRAPPING!!!

Hi, you know that is the right thing to do, just ban trapping everywhere. I dont need to tell you why.

thank you,

all the animals who wont suffer in agony then killed and skinned for their fur and

maggi rankin in [REDACTED] NM



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**From:** Karen Ahlgren [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/22/2019 03:53:39 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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We live in northern New Mexico, by the Colorado border. We are COMPLETELY against trapping of any animal at any time. For this Commission to NOT consider this with their minimal alterations to the current laws is unacceptable and very disappointing.

Sincerely,

Karen Ahlgren

James Kristofka

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Liz G [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 03:39:27 PM

**To:** Soules, David, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please ban traps from our public lands. We walk on federal lands with our dogs. A friend's dog here in Chimayó was caught in a trap and nearly killed, in close proximity to public roads and to her house. We are frightened that the same could happen to us.

Our wildlife should be allowed to roam free on our public lands! It should not be a place for people to make money from killing and skinning wildlife who are already endangered.

When we hike on public lands, we try to make sure we have as little effect on the land and wildlife as possible. This is how everyone should be.

Thank you.

Kayhryn Elizabeth Gold  
[REDACTED]

**From:** gwen pellicci [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 06:17:00 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

gwen pellicci

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Linda Mcloud ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 09:18:52 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

My Corgi was caught in a leg hold trap, luckily I was only a couple of yards away when it happened, but it took 2 people 10 minutes to get it open!! Anyone that claims leg hold traps are painless or discriminatory are WRONG!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Linda Mcloud

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Nancy Gregory [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 07:54:17 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

As you know, trapping is barbaric. Trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.

Trapping is indiscriminate: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.

Trapping is a horrible public safety hazard: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in amputation and, in two cases, death. Traps are a danger to people too.

Unbelievably, for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species ? in many cases, key ecosystem engineers ? for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Trapping is indefensible. There is no excuse for it. It's uncivilized.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Nancy Gregory

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**From:** sau tsang [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 07:50:02 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

sau tsang

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** ELAINE AL MEQDAD [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 06:56:54 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

ELAINE AL MEQDAD

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Jean Crawford [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 07:59:30 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jean Crawford

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Sudeshna Ghosh [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 05:55:57 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sudeshna Ghosh

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[REDACTED]

**From:** amanda downing [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 04:18:13 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please stop this unnecessary torture of animals in our wildlife. I want more protection for wildlife, especially predators before they are all gone. Traps are also very dangerous if left out. For me personally, It is a huge safety and cruelty concern.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

amanda downing

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Lael Bradshaw [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 12:23:25 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is a cruel antiquated sport. It has no business on public lands, or any lands for that matter. Please do a better job of overseeing this past time.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Lael Bradshaw

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**From:** Gina Giaccardo [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 11:42:19 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

The Indigenous animals of my home state and ancestral lands should be respected, not trapped and made to suffer for sport or profit.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gina Giaccardo

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Ray Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 11:07:12 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

The animals are our brothers and sisters in a real way. Do not slight them, degrade them, harm them, I implore you.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ray Johnson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Christopher Ulery [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 10:44:22 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is barbaric and inhumanely cruel. The suffering these innocent animals endure is tragic. Do something about it. Stop trapping, just like the rest of the world!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Christopher Ulery

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**From:** Juliet Calabi [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 10:20:18 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Juliet Calabi

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**From:** Rose Alpuche [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 07:02:19 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I feel this is a highly unethical practice. Do we really want to live in a society that is okay with having no limits on these traps? How can the public feel safe traversing public lands? What happens if your child or grandchild or family pet is caught in one of these traps? Is the state going to be held account for any injuries?

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rose Alpuche

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**From:** Joanna Paap [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 09:46:31 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please hear us and stop all Recreational and Commercial Trapping in NM.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joanna Paap

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**From:** Patrick Burton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 07:40:37 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps inflict prolonged suffering on any victim that they capture.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patrick Burton

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**From:** Carol Romero [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 08:00:12 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] New Mexico Trapping practices

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NM Game and Fish Authority

## Re: Trapping Rules and Regulations

The inadequate changes to the trapping regulations recently made are just not adequate. The changes won't end the suffering, the danger to the public, or the drain on native wildlife populations. We need to push back - ask for an end to trapping on public land.

Many companies around the world and US are now fur free and the practice is being banned in most states and cities. Please ban the inhumane and barbaric practice of torturing these animals and subjecting them to misery until they bleed out and die. Sadly, there are many innocent animals that have had the misfortune to be caught in traps that have had to endure this misery.

These beautiful creatures do not deserve this inhumane treatment - they are killed and for what? The furs are no longer being bought. **There are many, worldwide companies that now produce beautiful FAKE furs that are the fashion in this modern time.**

**Please, please stop this stop this barbaric practice and let New Mexico be noted by other states for their humanity to all animals, large and small. California has already banned this practice and if NM follows, it will also be noted for progress, not known for brutality and cruelty towards these creatures. Hopefully, these points will be considered:**

- Trapping is **cruel**: trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.
- Trapping is **indiscriminate**: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.
- Trapping is **a public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in [amputation](#) and, in [two cases](#), death. Traps are a danger to people too.
- Trapping is **a drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

**Respectfully,**

**Carolyn Romero**

**From:** SJ Ingram [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 06:55:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] No Trapping

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Please do not support and continue Trapping in New Mexico. It is a cruel, and inhumane, 'so-called' sport. Trapped animals endure undo stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation because of the cruel steel jaws or the trap or snare, then to just to wait ti be beat by a club or shot close up. Trapping is indiscriminate, unlike hunting, it maims and kills 'non-target' animals and birds of prey. Endangered species and companion animals are also often caught in traps.

Trapping is also a public safety hazard. Every year, companion animals and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in the amputation of limbs and, in most cases, death. Traps are also a danger to people.

Trapping is harassment on our native wildlife. If any other person did this or hurt, stressed, fed or killed these animals, they would be given a citation, but for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he/she wants, and are not liable for the "by-catch"! What the hell is ok with that? These animals are "trash" and usually just thrown off to the side. What a waste and how can that be legal or even ethically allowed?

Most importantly we need to keep our large predators on our lands. Ranching operations have almost totally wiped out a lot of the habitat and prey animals that furbearers need to survive. Sure it helps some people with a "living", but at what cost for our wildlife and potential tourism dollars? The skins or pelts usually end up in Eastern Europe and Asia anyway. Why should the United States keep supporting this inhumane practice since there are so many synthetic materials that can be used instead of a dead animal?

Please, help stop this cruel practice. We need to end trapping once and for all.

Sincerely,

Shonna Ingram

**From:** Bob Orner [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 02:49:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Opposition letter

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Dear Members of the NM Game Commission,

I am writing to express my deep and grave concerns regarding the current rules in our State allowing the trapping of "furbearers." This is one of the most barbaric practices I've ever heard of and I would like you to change the existing laws that allow this practice to continue. These animals are sentient beings suffering for only the profit of fur trappers. We are better than this cruelty. Please listen to your constituents who are opposing the use of traps and snares and eliminate this rule! Outlaw the use of traps and snares!

Thank you,

Bob Orner

—

Bob Orner, Principal

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**From:** Jessica Holleman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 04:27:41 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please consider striker trapping regulations- owner of a trap victim(dog)  
**Attachments:** 392455\_10150681136317973\_2126490918\_n.jpg

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Hello,

I am writing to you to please consider striker trapping regulations.

There are many reasons- it's cruel, indiscriminate, a public safety hazard and it puts a drain on wildlife.

But I would most like to tell you about Chama, a dog I adopted from the Santa Fe Animal Shelter who at the time had a missing foot. The wound was not healed well since it was a trapping accident from when he was a stray. The little wound would open up on occasion and stay that way. I was a volunteer at the shelter and about 3 months after starting there I decided to take this sweet boy home. He was 3. He was scared of men, loud noises and often was chased by other dogs at the dog park which further exacerbated his fear aggression. So we stayed in, walked only in areas where no other dogs would be off leash, started working with a physical therapist, traveled to Denver to have a prosthetic made, worked for years on exercises to make him comfortable in it, but then that little wound would open up and we'd have to heal that up and start trying over again. After a few years I realized he would never fully be comfortable with the prosthetic so I had it amputated, after months of healing and pain he has had a good life. Now 10+ years old he has started to slip on the hardwoods so the floors are now covered in throw rugs, he can't make it up the stairs as easily so I have started to sleep on the couch downstairs, when he does get upstairs to the bed, Ive put it on the floor so he can enjoy it. I am nervous about what the next few years will bring as he continues to age and his one back leg starts to slowly give out, a wheelchair, diapers, who knows. Years and years of bandages, treatments, tears, long nights, little sleep, surgery, pain, prosthetics, physical therapy, and not to mention the financial burden and for what, so some person can trap and kill an animal for fur or fun. Doesn't really seem fair now, does it?

Thank you, Jessica Holleman and Chama

**From:** aelryne2 [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 07:19:37 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please no more trapping

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Exploiting and killing animals for convenience or profit belongs in the past.

- Trapping is **cruel**: trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.
- Trapping is **indiscriminate**: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.
- Trapping is **a public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in [amputation](#) and, in [two cases](#), death. Traps are a danger to people too.
- Trapping is **a drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Please do the right thing.

The Insko Family  
[REDACTED]

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

**From:** Gail Clark [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 04:44:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Gail Clark

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**From:** Elizabeth Bretton [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 11:08:51 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please stop trapping in New Mexico!

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I urge you to stop the practice of allowing traps to be set on public lands. In addition to the fact that the intended animals may suffer for days before being harvested, there is a very real risk of injuring or killing unintended creatures.

Given the fact that traps can be placed (and hidden) near trails, they can pose a very real threat to pet animals and to humans.

I respect the rights of hunters in New Mexico , but implore you to ban the use of traps and snares in our beautiful state and make our public lands safer for everyone!

Sincerely,

Elizabeth M Bretton, MD

**From:** Brian Cobble [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 06:57:23 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Why the hell should there be any trapping on our public lands? As if wildlife isn't under enough stress with shrinking habitat and drought. It is a barbaric and archaic practice that endangers non-target animals and pets. No trapping.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Brian Cobble

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**From:** Marilyn Torbett [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 01:31:19 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping on public lands

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I am opposed to trapping on any public lands. Restricting trapping to areas adjacent to picnic areas and trails is not enough. It means that the public can only count on being safe if they stay within those restricted areas. My husband and I and our grandchildren love to hike and explore our public lands. I believe that the public's right to safely use the lands that belongs to us is more important than the rights of those who seek to profit from them.

Marilyn Torbett  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Laney Tuttle [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 08:35:03 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. We have all witnessed the cruelty and suffering that comes from snares and traps; from mutilating of protected species to the unnecessary and unregulated killing of non-target animals. It is horrifying, preventable, and vocally opposed by most New Mexicans. Public land in New Mexico does not have to be used by for profit industries that have no stake in our communities or ecosystems. Our environment is, and must be treated, as more important than a resource to carelessly exploit. We have the ability and chance to create lasting change that can protect species across New Mexico. Please, protect our wildlife, oppose traps and snares on public land, too.

Sincerely,  
Laney Tuttle

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** KAREN SMITH [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 03:49:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping should be removed from public lands.

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Trapping is **not** fair chase hunting. A 20 dollar trapping license gives you the right to kill an **unlimited** number of animals whether they are protected or not, and you can do this year round. No licensed bow or gun hunter is permitted such liberties on our public lands.

Traps are **indiscriminate**, They catch any animal that steps into it including livestock, the family dog or even a child .

Taps do not have to be marked. They can be placed along trails and roads. They can even be placed a ½ mile from picnic areas, rest areas and campgrounds thus increasing the chances of the family pet or even a child being caught in their jaws.

For a 20 dollar trapping licence you gain the right **torture**, to cause excruciating pain for hours or days to anything caught in its grip be it animal or human. Morally and ecologically trapping is indefensible and should be removed from public land. It is not "**fair chase**" hunting.

Karen Smith  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kolleen Cole [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 09:06:02 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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To all concerned,

Like most people in New Mexico, I am appalled that something as barbaric as trapping is still allowed in the state. Trapping, baiting, and hunting with dogs was banned in Washington over 18 years ago, as it was in many states. Not only are these practices cruel to wildlife, but pets are also caught and suffer a slow, painful death. The traditions of a few people is NO excuse for this cruelty to continue. Killing, especially in such a cruel way, is NOT a sport. It is time for New Mexico to evolve.

Kolleen and Robert Cole  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pat Wolph [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 08:22:23 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It is time for NM to grow up and stop this heinous practice. This does not help tourism and that makes a whole lot more money than trapping.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Pat Wolph

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**From:** Comcast [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 03:27:53 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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We are doing enough damage to our planet

Why do we continue to have this savage attack on our wildlife?

This is dangerous to us and our pets

Grow up!

Be done with all trapping

Trapping is not needed in this day and age

We are putting our wildlife and ourselves and our pets in danger just so a few can think they are Daniel Boone

Its all about satisfaction of the trappers ego and bragging rights in some beer joint

The rest of us are left with the carnage

The trappers are also putting the balance of natural life out of balance

Halt the trapping now

Thank you

Allan. Moorhead

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Sandy Romhild [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 11:41:15 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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My name is Sandra Romhild and I live in [REDACTED], NM. I am writing to ask your department make the trapping of animals of any kind illegal on public property. Why on earth have you not already done so? Trapping is barbaric and cruel. And to what end; surely in this day and time no one makes a living doing this. New Mexico is better than this. Please

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Peggy Alexander <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 07:17:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping

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Trapping is **cruel**: trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.

Trapping is **indiscriminate**: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.

Trapping is **a public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in [amputation](#) and, in [two cases](#), death. Traps are a danger to people too.

Trapping is **a drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

[Peggy Alexander](#)  
[REDACTED]

Earth is not a platform for human life. It is a living being. We are not on it, but part of it. Its health is our health.

**From:** Wendy Brown [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 04:35:31 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Cc:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Update to furbearer trapping rules in NM

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Dear Game Commission:

I am writing to express my dismay at inadequate revision to trapping regulations in New Mexico. Even with the high level of attention given to this issue by the media and the public in the last year, the Department continues to give priority treatment to the minority of people in the the state that still support recreational trapping.

I have no issue with necessary trapping or killing of predators that are causing damage to a specific landowner. However, recreational trapping is cruel, unnecessary, and unsafe for the majority of public lands users.

I urge you to ban recreational trapping on ALL public lands in New Mexico.

Sincerely,

Wendy M. Brown

Wildlife Biologist  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jordan Longman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 11:25:50 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Why do degenerates hate men's animals?

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To Whom It May Concern,

It is too prevalently known at this point that the depraved hate anything masculine, including mens animals- the predators. For men, picturing a mountain lion or wolf roaming the terrain with all that power and prowess is a happy, confirming time. However, there now seem to be those in the former Wild West who get scared or something of these great animals. Not really sure, actually, since I wasnt born abnormal. Other brain-damaged types just seem to want \$\$\$ but dont know how to get it, so they coerce and/or blackmail the men on farms and ranches into giving up their land to these clueless greedy freaks. This, of course, is where the traps and really angry tactics come into play rather than just initially letting those who know what theyre doing carry on the job. Men, of course, will never be afraid of these animals because they understand these superior animals. Its part of what makes them men. If there is any confusion in that, were dealing with a degenerate, as the facts will always be clear to those with a clear mind. Unfortunately, mental instability and weakness has been present here for at least the last few decades, leading to weird issues such as this. The sick ways these degenerates treat women, children, and mens animals is very telling for those who are normal, therefore it would probably be better to just out the freaks rather than vote on one of their depraved issues. Thank you.

Best,

Jordan G Longman

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/30/2019 07:00:17 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** ELAINE AL MEQDAD [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 30, 2019 6:57 PM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

Dear Tirzio Lopez,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

ELAINE AL MEQDAD

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**From:** lefty folkman [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 02:10:39 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Against All Trapping

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As a 26 year mountain resident of our state, I am an advocate for all of our wildlife. Therefore, I am against all trapping in our state. I dislike the idea that our state retains such an archaic, cruel, and non-sportsman like practice all at the mercy of our wildlife. Again, I support absolutely no trapping in our state.

Thank you,

(Ms.) Lefty Folkman, [REDACTED]

**From:** Cynthia Magallon Puljic [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/01/2019 07:13:27 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Cc:** Patience O'Dowd [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** [EXT] Anti trapping

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NM ANTI-TRAPPING BILL  DROPPED

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I was shocked and horrified to see the anti trapping bill dropped. I understand that

the Livestock Industry wants Native Predators GONE, but most of the voting population in the state of New Mexico does not. We want our native wildlife and the livestock industry to find a shared existence, that will protect both. If one is not found, I will completely turn vegan, and urge all others to do so. I will make sure that me and mine spend zero of our income to support industries that cannot or will not coexist with others.

I believe the 2 Million People in NM and I stand behind the protection of our native wildlife, horses, bobcats, cougars, etal and our pets, which your trappers kill with no regard. The only supporters of trapping are the money swayed politicians.

I urge you to do your part to OUTLAW TRAPPING NOW!

I urge you to ban the 50,000 traps in remote areas, ALL are torturing and destroying innocent creatures, starving their kits and cubs, and wiping out our wild natural resources.

I urge you to Pass Roxy's Law

I urge you to Outlaw Trapping or I will become completely vegan and I will harm those industries by withdrawing my dollars and urging all to do the same

I STAND BY WHOA and Wildlife Protection of New Mexico.

I urge you to find a common ground that protects all, with a primary focus on our natural environment and our wildlife. Currently it appears the political leadership is only protecting industry.

This must change.

Cynthia Magallon Puljic  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Bill L [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:03:17 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban trapping on New Mexico's public lands

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am a NM resident and frequent user of public lands for recreation. Trapping should be banned on all NM public lands, as it endangers non-target species and pets and makes our public lands unsafe for family recreation. Trapping also allows just .1% of the NM population to cruelly maim and kill wildlife—for personal profit. Our neighboring states have already banned trapping on public lands, and NM should do the same.

Bill Leith

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[REDACTED]

**From:** uturuncu [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/02/2019 09:08:32 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] ban trapping on NM public land

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I am a NM resident and frequent user of public lands for recreation and I have been dismayed to learn that trapping wildlife is still a practice in these parts.

Trapping should be banned on all NM public lands - as it endangers non-target species as well as pets and makes our public lands unsafe for all.

As you may be aware trapping also allows 1% of the NM population to cruelly maim and kill wildlife for personal profit. Our neighboring states have banned trapping on public lands and NM should have already done the same long ago.

Sincerely,  
JP Mul

[REDACTED]

**From:** WILLIAM MOIR [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 11/01/2019 05:43:43 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps and snares

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I support the ban of traps and snares on all public lands in New Mexico.  
Especially, the Sandia Mountain Ranger District. The entirety is a heavily used recreational area.  
The use of traps is indiscriminate, cruel and brutal.  
Sincerely,  
Margaret Moir

**From:** Jordan Longman [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 03:18:23 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Get the cowardice out of the wild west. Hysterics throwing us these deranged plans in the name of safety is really starting to get annoying. Game & Fish is a department for men, not the confused who have no idea how the wilderness even works. Obviously, some kind of office spring cleaning is in order before executing a more stable, appropriate plan.

Jordan G Longman

New Mexican resident

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Monica Morris [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 02:58:01 PM

**To:** Soules, David, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please ban all traps from New Mexico Public Lands! This practice is Inhumane to all animals, not just wild animals, but to our own dogs and Even children!! It is barbaric, cruel and unnecessary. Public lands mean just that...PUBLIC!!!! If trappers want their blood fur Let them use their own private land. This is a very dangerous practice and It needs to become obsolete.

M. Morris, owner of three dogs who have every right to roam the public Lands without fear of losing a leg or worse, dying in a disgusting trap!!!!!!

**From:** Jeanne Green [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 03:30:44 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please get trapping and sodium cyanide bombs off of our public lands. They are indiscriminate and are killing too many species. We cannot enjoy our publically-owned lands when these kind of practices continue to be allowed. What will it take to change this practice. How many deaths and injuries to people, dearly beloved pets and endangered wildlife?

Thank you,  
Jeanne Green

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

**From:** Todd M [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 05:09:58 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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To whom it may concern:

Traps should be banned from all public lands in New Mexico. They are indiscriminate, cruel, and diminish the wonderful wildlife in our state. Trapping is not an important livelihood or way of life anymore. And in fact, right now, most pelts end up in Eastern Europe or Asia.

Please end trapping on public lands.

Regards,

Todd Monson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Clark Zrakovi [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 03:06:07 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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What will it take for you to ban trapping on public land? Maybe having your own dog or cat left to die off trail with a trap on its leg! Listen to the public on this issue and ban trapping on public lands, please.

**From:** Lauren McGavran [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 07:40:34 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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I urge you to take a stronger stance against trapping and ban traps from all New Mexico State land. Far more people use the land recreationally than gain any benefit from trapping on it. Traps are cruel and inhumane; animals suffer pain and terror every bit as much as people do. Traps are indiscriminate and they are responsible for the horrible deaths of many non-target animals. Traps also catch and even kill beloved pets. The proposed restrictions hardly give any protection at all to non-target animals or pets.

Thank you for your consideration,

Laurie

**From:** Judy Whitney [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 10:18:36 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Traps are barbaric, cruel and totally unnecessary. No animal should have to suffer these terrible consequences for getting near a trap. Please put a halt to this.

Sincerely,  
Judy Whitney

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**From:** Peter Fessenden [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 02:35:33 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Come on, wise up and be humane.ALTRAPS MUST BE BANNED FROM NM PUBLIC LANDS!

Thanks you,

Peter Fessenden, PhD

**From:** susan selbin [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 02:04:15 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Traps are indiscriminate and brutal. Please support banning traps from all New Mexico Public lands.

Thank you,  
Susan Selbin  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carrie Thompson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 02:01:49 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please ban traps from all NM public lands.

As you know, animals experience pain and even slow death from traps and snares.

If knowing this is not enough for you to make this change, i really wish for you a change in heart.

thank you for your time,

carrie

"our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter"

**When you eat cows, pigs  
and chickens, here's who  
else you're eating.**



"everyday you are invited to make choices, live your values, change the world"

**From:** David Pieters [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 01:16:17 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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PLEASE, BAN METAL TRAPS on all public lands in New Mexico!!!!!! Many domestic animals as well as wild animals are harmed or killed or horribly wounded by these traps and New Mexico does not stand for such inhumane treatment of any animals. Metal traps cause so much suffering for animals caught in them, these are archaic and cruel methods of killing which need to be banned NOW.

Thanks you so much for hearing my views and taking into consideration the terrible consequences of using these traps.

Sincerely,

Nancy Pieters

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 01:15:05 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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I have sent many letters to you and it seems that it has no affect on you so here is one more. You have the power to change this barbaric outdated unnecessary practice. Why do you feel it is necessary to let people inflict such pain on animals? I hope you look at all the reports,pictures and change your position on trapping, A BARBARIC PRACTICE UNNECESSARY AND OUTDATED, for the animals welfare please do something. Be on the right side of history and look at yourself in the mirror and be proud or your ability to change this practice sleep with a clear conscious not of an image of a helpless animal stuck in the traps freezing, starving, and chewing their own body parts off.

for banning these traps,

Thank you, in advanced

Symantha Garcia

**From:** Chilton Gregory [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 01:12:50 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dear comissioners:

Aside from the unconscionable cruelty of traps, they fail to be specific;

Protected spesces, pets and many other non-targeted

animals and even humans fall victim to traps and the persons who set them.

This random carnage is painful to any compassionate human.

Sincerely,

Chilton Gregory

**From:** Kathleen Poole [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 09:08:42 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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please make trapping illegal on all public lands public lands is just that public and we should all be safe on public lands though i truly believe that nothing will be done until someone important or their child gets hurt then for those trappers can do whatever and where ever they want kathleen y poole [REDACTED]

**From:** Mark Rosacker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 01:09:52 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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If you continue to support recreational and commercial trapping on public lands in New Mexico; you are on the wrong side of history. I do not, and will not, support a game commission bent upon the inhumane destruction of native wildlife and predatory animals for the benefit of a few people whose livelihood makes them a historical anachronism. As a life-long New Mexican and life long hunter; I was taught that killing any animal for sport is both reprehensible and immoral. Trapping endangers members of the public, pets and companion animals, endangered Mexican Wolves, and most importantly the continued health of wild ecosystems in my home state. If you have to: Trap on your own private lands; but move responsibly to protect New Mexico native wildlife on ALL State and Federal public lands. If you can't do that; then get out of New Mexico.

**From:** Michele Oxford-PONCE [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 12:54:09 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please ban trapping on public land. As a taxpayer, I believe that this is our land and no one should have trapping rights. This is a tragedy and a very barbaric practice. Please put an end to this practice immediately. It serves no purpose in an educated society and puts innocent lives in danger. Thank you for your help with this matter.

**From:** E Shane Scantlebury [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 12:47:43 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please ban traps from all New Mexico public lands! Thank you.

E Shane Scantlebury

**From:** Karlton Terry [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 12:35:05 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please!!

Don't let this cruel carnage continue. Imagine your own dog or even your own hand in a trap!

thank you,

Karlton

**From:** Isolde Wait [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 10:37:59 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Hallo, I am asking the NM Game Commission again to ban ALL traps from public lands. Why is it that a minority of people who may not even be tax payers in NM get the right to determine what happens on public lands.

The commission must know that traps are indiscriminate and inhumane. This is why it is so bothersome and incomprehensible that we even have to have this discussion.

NO TRAPS ON PUBLIC LANDS!

Thank you. Are you listening? Isolde Wait.

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Linda Friedman [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 11:46:18 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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I request a ban on traps. This practice is cruel, indiscriminate, a public safety hazard, and a drain on our wildlife.

Thank you,

Linda Friedman

**From:** Joanna Kennedy [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 11:39:52 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Trapping has become a dangerous hobby/occupation. Im old enough to have grown up in the north around old timers who made a living in trapping. If they didnt have the necessary respect for wilderness and wildlife, at least the areAs they worked were unpopulated enough to not be hazardous to the public.

Trapping has lost its necessity as an income source and many buyers are moving to faux furs. Our population has doubled and continues to grow and there are too many careless people in the mix which all makes trapping downright dangerous, as the number of incidents clearly shows.

It will be an adjustment for some, but we are all adjusting to a rapidly changing world every day. Also its been shown time and again that wildlife populations adjust to their own healthy numbers the less we interfere. Some people will dispute this but science trumps them.

The longer youre on the planet the more clear it becomes that the worst predator of all is humans, and we tend to be big babies at that.

TIME TO END TRAPPING ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Joanna Kennedy

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Krisandra Wamsley [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 11:29:31 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please please please end trapping on all public lands. Trapping is heinous, cruel, unnecessary inhumane and barbaric. There is no justification in killing and maiming pets and wildlife. You are aware of all the reasons why you should end this senseless practice.

**From:** Sarah Grant [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:59:59 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please consider banning all trapping of animals in New Mexico. Gandhi said you can tell a lot about a culture by how they treat their animals. While New Mexico may be kind to its domesticated animals (who are also victimized by trapping), it is also important how we treat our wild animals. Trapping can lead to unnecessarily drawn out deaths. I think the people and animals in New Mexico deserve much better than this. Thanks for listening.

Sarah Grant  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 11:24:00 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please do your job and inforce these laws. This is cruel and unethical. The animals dont have a fair chance. This suffering should stop. Create other oppourtunities for these folks to supplement their living. Then you would be really do a service to the community

Thank you

Therese OGorman

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Sara Hufford [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 11:08:58 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please ban all traps on all New Mexico land. These are not humane ways to treat any animal. Provide other means through state supported programs and funds.

Thank You,

Sara Hufford

Resident of [REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Terri Andres [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 11:06:29 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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I am a lifelong resident of New Mexico who is appalled by the continued practice of using traps to harm our wildlife. Traps are brutal and cause prolonged pain and agony. Is this the penalty for simply existing?

This is in addition to traps harming unintended victims.

Please ban this arcane and barbaric trapping of animals.

With respect,

Teresa Andres

[REDACTED]

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

**From:** Mary Cline [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 10:57:21 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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**From:** Tim Emons [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 10:43:16 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please ban this cruel, barbaric practice...

This is nothing but animal torture and Nm needs to step up and get out of the dark ages and end this cruelty !

Tim

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Brianna Bielecki [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 10:43:49 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tizio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Good afternoon,

Trapping is a barbaric and outdated practice which hurts, kills and maimes not only domestic family pets, but endangered and protected animals. I urge you all to vote for a ban on this inhumane and highly unregulated practice. We must think about the future and start protecting life on our public lands.

Recently, Representative Earl Blumenauer (D-OR) introduced a bill that will save thousands of animals from painful deaths. The “Limiting Inhumane Federal Trapping (LIFT) for Public Safety Act” (H.R. 5954) will ban almost all trapping on our public lands, including prohibiting federal employees from using inhumane and indiscriminate “body-gripping” traps.

I plead of you to do the same in New Mexico.

Respectfully,  
Brianna Bielecki

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[REDACTED]

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**From:** Marcia Kellam [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 10:38:54 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dear Game Commissioners:

I have seen the horrendous, torturing mechanism of the traps used in New Mexico. They are absolutely abominable, and have NO place on our public lands (or anywhere). These animals are BEINGS! They BELONG in those lands and are not there for the exploitation by humans who like to kill (for whatever reason or excuse they may put forth as a justification).

Imagine the sheer terror and pain and suffering these innocent beings endure when they get caught in one of these devices. You wouldn't wish that on anyone you know, right? Why inflict it on others, just because they are not human? It's shameful and disgusting and completely unwarranted.

PLEASE! Stop the torture and the use of any traps (or poisons) on our public lands. It's time now.

Thank you, Marcia Kellam

**From:** Marcia Kellam [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 10:39:05 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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**From:**



**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 10:35:10 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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PLEASE BAN ALL TRAPS. CRUELTY TO ANIMALS! DON'T WE LIVE IN AMERICA?????  
YVONNE SHAFFER-PEREZ

**From:** JOYCE COUSINO [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 10:23:05 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Dear Officials,

Please ban all trapping in New Mexico and especially on public lands it is such a danger to house pets and small animals, and children can even get caught in them.

They are too cruel to leave lying around.

Thank you,

Joyce Cousino

[REDACTED]

**From:** Stephanie Kaylan [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 10:09:59 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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No No No No.

What will it take for you to remove all these traps?

Your children hiking, playing & THEN being caught in these traps?

Your friends & family members being caught in these traps?

Your pets being caught in these traps?

**YOU** being caught in these traps?

Get real.

Wake up.

Stop it NOW!

Do the correct thing for once before Nature is messed up even more than it already is.

SGMKJ

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**From:** Tortugamouse1 [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 10:11:50 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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PLEASE STOP THIS CARNAGE. Minnie Murray

**From:** Rita Gugliotta [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:40:00 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Why can't you see that traps are dangerous and should be outlawed. Please get this terrible problem resolved by banning cruel trapping. Thank you...Rita Gugliotta

**From:** Charlene- Kevin McDermott-Cottage <[REDACTED]>

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 10:09:58 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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This inhumane practice is not part of our value system as New Mexicans. Please ban traps from all public lands. Thank you. Dr. Charlene McDermott

**From:** NANCY ADAM [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 10:00:12 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please, please, please ban traps particularly on public lands. This is a barbaric practice that puts all animals in harms way, including pets and humans. The trappers should not have the last word on such a horrific way to trap and kill animals. I know people who have been out hiking and found dying animals and said the sounds from them as they suffer should not happen to anyone or thing.

Please consider that we are now in the 21st century and should reconsider all our old practices that history and beginning in different times.

Thank you.

Nancy Adam

**From:** Desert Mouse [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 09:57:40 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Dear Commissioner,

Traps are indiscriminately cruel, causing unspeakable suffering to wild, endangered and domestic animals alike. We are supposed to be a civilized country. Please ban traps from all NM public land.

Respectfully,

Judith Hetem

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**From:** Charly Drobeck [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 09:27:25 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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To whom it may concern:

Please ban traps from all our public lands..this is and old and unnecessary risk to hikers, our dogs and others, and is cruel to say the least.

Thanks for your considerations,

CharlySusan Drobeck

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**From:** Sandra Monday [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 09:31:52 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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I believe in a trap free New Mexico. I am an animal lover of all animals, snakes, etc. Instead of being the state in last place again, we could be the best state showing how we care for all animals and do whatever we can do to save them all and keep them from suffering and dieing.

**From:** april west [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:26:19 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please ban traps from all of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

April West

**From:** Diane Eriksson [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 09:28:48 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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This barbaric and indiscriminate practice must be stopped. Not only do family pets get trapped but endangered species, unintended species and even humans can suffer from traps. My friend was exposed to cyanide poisoning when she came upon a trap near her home and attempted to safely set it off before her dog did. The cyanide went off in her face. She ended up in urgent care. The unintended consequences are too much for any real benefits. Please don't allow this any longer.

Diane Eriksson [REDACTED]

**From:** Trish Heck [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 09:27:07 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Visitors and residents alike see trapping as cruel and dangerous. Allowing leg hold traps gives our state a bad name. Grant County is trying to promote tourism to help our economy. Traps work against our efforts.

Please forbid leg hold traps and similar devices on public lands.

Sincerely,  
Patricia Heck

**From:** Carol Licini [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:59:42 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Joanna,

How can you live with yourself? What will it take to outlaw cruel traps in NM? Gives our state a horrible reputation.

Be a good person and ban traps now.

The trappers have inflicted horrific pain and suffering for years.

Time to stop trapping and give wild animals a life free from trapping.

You can do it!

I hike with dogs on public lands. Your cruel traps scare me to death!

Carol Licini

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Greg Griffin [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 09:18:12 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Stop trapping In New Mexico! This cruel, barbaric trapping does not discriminate on what it traps and should be banned in New Mexico, the USA, and worldwide. No civilized society should allow the suffering and destruction to wildlife caused by trapping - its antiquated and its time should be put in the past with no future in New Mexico! Haven't New Mexico trappers inflicted enough torture to wildlife and endangered wildlife, too. California has already outlawed it, and other states, like New Mexico, should follow their lead. Please be a humane, positive voice for saving New Mexico's wildlife!

Sincerely,  
Greg Griffin

**From:** Russell Abolt [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 09:03:57 AM

**To:** Soules, David, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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I am opposed to trapping on public lands. It is in humane in my view. We live in a time of wildlife being threatened due to reduction of habitat and global warming. Most everything in nature is being threatened. Let's do our part to support our wild places- PLEASE.

**From:** Yamuna Landsberg [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 09:09:19 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Thank You for time -  
Yamuna Landsberg

**From:** Margaret Soriero [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:57:20 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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I completely support banning all traps in New Mexico public lands.. The evidence is overwhelming in showing the negative consequences in such an activity as uncontrollable and cruel as these archaic traps. Thank you for reading this.

Margaret Soriero

**From:** Barbara Basler [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:51:11 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Trapping is dangerous and cruel and should be banned on the public lands we all share. Why are a few people allowed to profit by endangering residents and wildlife? This is patently unfair! A real scandal. Why are you participating in this? Do the right thing for the people of New Mexico. Stop trapping. Barbara Basler

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Matrix Storm [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:48:02 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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**From:** Elaine Giovando [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:41:26 AM

**To:** Soules, David, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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It is cruel. That should be enough. Imagine how the animals suffer. Have some human compassion.

Elaine Giovando [REDACTED]

**From:** pgnm [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:39:07 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dear Game Commissioners-

Get rid of traps on my public lands.

They hurting way too many companion animals and Mexican wolves.

This must stop. I have seen a map and there far map than I realized. Trapping is cruel and inhumane.

Sincerely,

Pat Duncan

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

**From:** Tom Holley [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:30:44 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to encourage you to work toward elimination of trapping in New Mexico. It is an outdated solution to a questionable problem which results in severe cruelty to the animals involved. No one can seriously question the fact that the animals caught in these traps suffer incredible pain and anguish. We are better than this. Please help to put an end to trapping in New Mexico.

Sincerely,

Tom Holley

[REDACTED]

**From:** Cheryl Scannell [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:34:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to implore you to revisit your woefully inadequate proposal for new limits on animal trapping in New Mexico; I urge you to ban trapping on all New Mexico public lands.

I retired to Silver City, New Mexico to enjoy hiking on public lands with my dogs. I became alarmed upon learning how exposed I am to trapping incidents and injuries, given the lack of any meaningful controls on trapping in this state, or meaningful safeguards to protect me, my dogs, and non-target wildlife including most significantly, endangered Mexican wolves. These circumstances, and reading the harrowing accounts of individuals, pets and wildlife involved in trap incidents, has diminished my use and enjoyment of my precious public lands.

The detrimental impacts of trapping on New Mexico public lands far outweigh the minuscule private benefits to the handful of people that still engage in this practice from a bygone era. First, recreational users of New Mexico public lands outnumber trappers by orders of magnitudes, and the in-state economic benefits of recreational use are enormous and growing. These uses and benefits are seriously threatened by trapping -- it only takes a few horrific trap encounters to dissuade people from using their public lands, and the emotional scars of actually being involved in a trap encounter will stay with people for years. Relatedly, trapping is cruel, to an extent that is vastly inconsistent with modern values and sensibilities of New Mexicans. New Mexicans' rejection of cruel trapping practices is evident in the support for ending coyote killing contests and the overwhelming support for ending all trapping on public lands. In addition, trapping is disturbingly indiscriminate, catching, maiming and killing "non-target" animals including pets, people and threatened and endangered wildlife at a not insignificant level. Even a single injury to a family dog hiking companion is intolerable given that encounters cannot be completely avoided due to the lack of controls on placement of traps and lack of flags or other markings that would allow avoidance of traps. But, trapping, injuring or killing even a single endangered Mexican gray wolf is a significant threat to the recovery of this species and is not tolerable. Moreover, trapping, injuring or killing Mexican gray wolves without a permit is illegal, and arguably the state is vicariously liable for these violations of the Endangered Species Act by knowingly authorizing trapping that continues to take numerous protected wolves.

Given the facts, costs and benefits of trapping on New Mexico public lands, the only rational course of action in the public interest is to completely ban such trapping.

Thank you for your consideration,

Cheryl Scannell  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Michael Lawler [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:22:05 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please stop all trapping as cruel and unusual inhumane treatment of sentient beings for whom we should be stewards.

**From:** Br [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:30:44 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please ban trapping in New Mexico.

Respectfully, Bryan Romkey. [REDACTED]

**From:** Yvette Tapp [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:30:28 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Commissioners:

November 1st marked the start of another trapping season that will inflict cruelty and carnage on our native wildlife, companion animals, and public lands. Currently, the New Mexico Game Commission is considering some paltry, inadequate changes to the trapping rules. BAN ALL TRAPPING that is not humane for relocating or rescuing animals. Trapping is immoral, sadistic and has no place in our world.

Sincerely,

Yvette Tapp  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lynn Wilkinson [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:20:11 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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**From:**

[REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:17:20 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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The continued use of traps in New Mexico is horrifying. We must put an end to this. It is our job to protect, not to encourage injuring and killing animals. Please put some effort into fixing this problem.

Thank you,  
Linda Walters

**From:** Patricia Wolph [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:16:10 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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It is time for NM to end this indiscriminate and cruel practice, with very little going to NM in revenue and a lot going to trappers.

Pat Wolph, [REDACTED]

**From:** Sandra Jackson [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:15:52 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Given that you on the Commission are supposed to represent the people of New Mexico, how can you continue to allow inhumane and indiscriminate trapping on our public lands when a majority of the people in this state are against it?

Please ban all trapping on public lands.

Thank you,

Sandra Jackson

[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara McIntyre [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:11:51 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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PLEASE for the sake of hikers safety and our precious canine companions...STOP this brutal practice....

there is no good reason to allow this anymore.

Barbara McIntyre  
Design Consultant

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Laura Tokar [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:06:18 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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I would like you to ban all trapping on public lands. People can do whatever they want on their own private land but public land belongs to all of us! Besides trapping being an awful, inhumane and cruel way to torture and kill animals, I shouldn't have to fear walking with small children or my dogs when I go on a beautiful hike on public lands.

Please vote to ban trapping and keep public lands friendly for all of us to use.

Thank you,

Laura Tokar

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Marc Calderwood [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:56:02 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iQxWOTCjg74>

Cruelty is just ... cruelty.  
Marc Calderwood

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**From:** Dianna Stone [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:54:34 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please ban traps from all New Mexico public lands. I live in Placitas, and our pets, and beloved wildlife are caught in them. Then, they die a horrendous death.

Sincerely,

Dianna L Stone  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rita Glasscock [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:03:05 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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PLEASE BAN TRAPS from ALL NEW MEXICO PUBLIC LANDS !!!!

**From:** Lori Laiche [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:52:37 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Dear Game and Fish Commission:

Why do we have to endure these traps so close to our trails and placed in wild areas that you can't foresee! Does New Mexico have to be the land of backwardness and decayed thinking? How could it be that this beautiful state is still allowing such a barbaric practice? It's simply shameful what we're allowing and worse I'm afraid to go on the trails or off trail anymore. Where can you go now to be safe?? How can you make the trappers follow the rules? Do you believe they actually check those traps like they should? No! We all no they don't and there is no one that needs to trap for a living or are we really still in the dark ages? Haven't we progressed? Apparently not and for this reason I'm afraid to enjoy this beautiful state. Don't I have that right, the right to enjoyment? Not if there are traps all over that can share a dog before your eyes and leave you helpless to save it. Why would I or anyone else what to go on a walk. New Mexico is always in the lead for some of the dumbest decisions on the country. Can't we get on the right path and do this right? No traps... Please....no more traps!! I can't understand why New Mexico has to be so out of touch with the rest of the country.

Sent from Lori Laiche [Outlook Mobile](#)

**From:** Evey Jones [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:51:51 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Stop trapping and using this cruelty to kill and maim animals in NM

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Julie [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:47:45 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please, Ms. Prukop, as people, we have grown beyond the random cruelty that trapping is. We are currently facing mass extinction all over the world. We need our animals in New Mexico to be respected.

Thank you

Julie Morgan

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Judyth Shamosh [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:47:13 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tizio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Hello,

My dog was accidentally trapped on public lands. Fortunately she was not severely hurt. I resent our public lands being used for this purpose to supply other countries with fur from our animals.

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- J. Shamosh
- [REDACTED]

**Do things for people not because of who they are or what they do in return, but because of who you are. --Harold Kushner**

**From:** VICTORIA SEALE [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:34:37 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Dear Commissioners,

I appreciate the complexities of your position in establishing rules that effect varied uses of public land by varied people. However, the majority of New Mexicans are not in favor of trapping on public lands in New Mexico. A small minority of trappers are the tail wagging the dog when it comes to keeping trapping on public lands. Private land owners can trap or hire trappers if they need to protect their private interests. Please consider the greater public safety by banning trapping on public lands.

Sincerely,

Victoria Seale

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[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Ronald Christ [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:32:16 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please ban animal traps in News Mexico.

Thank you.

Ronald Christ  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kay Sievers [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:32:30 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Stop catering to a cruel and barbaric minority. Traps don't belong on PUBLIC LANDS.

**From:** Georgena Felicia [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:17:47 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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- Kindly consider that trapping is an inhumane method.
- It captures creatures not meant to be caught.
- It is a cruel, tormented maiming or death
- It is "unfair" with -0- dignity on the part of the trapper
- Consider your animals or a family being caught or dying ...
- Learn to hunt or fish or protect your livestock some other way.

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Georgena Felicia

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:19:29 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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My incident near Tajiique Creek camp ground is not on the list It was about 75 feet from the road and campground It was baited with some stinky animal skin. Pistol got caught and started screaming the other dogs started attacking him. I was able to release him with no damage to either of us He did have some bites from his best friends. While I was taking it off him His sister Polly Jo got zapped by another one. She was not so easy to get out and bit my hand over and over Until I stuck a stick in her mouth. She wasn't hurt at all. I had to go to emergency and had 12 stitches. One of the neighbors run off permanently the trapper. Ramona Wilson [REDACTED]

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**From:** Ann Roylance [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:45:05 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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It is so incredibly cruel and inhuman.

Thank you,

Ann Roylance

[REDACTED]

**From:** Fred Weinhagen [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 05:59:55 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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I have worked to ban trapping in NM for 30 years. It is unnecessary, cruel and dangerous. Please listen to us.

Dianne Maughan

[REDACTED]

**From:** Debra Denker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:05:41 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Commissioners,

Please ban trapping from all public lands. Trapping is cruel and frankly outdated. We don't live in an extremely cold climate where animal fur is needed for warmth.

All too often, it is people's dogs who get caught in these traps and maimed or killed. Trapping is indiscriminate and can result in the death of members of endangered species rather than the "target" animals.

There is simply no reason to allow trapping in this day and age, particularly at a time when humans worldwide have caused a 58% drop in wildlife population in the past 40 or so years, and biodiversity is threatened by the climate crisis, habitat loss, and other human depredations.

Sincerely,

Debra Denker

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Author, Weather Menders, a cli-fi time travel novel

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**From:** D McNeilly [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:04:28 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tizio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Trapping is **cruel**: trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.

Trapping is **indiscriminate**: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.

Trapping is **a public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in [amputation](#) and, in [two cases](#), death. Traps are a danger to people too.

Trapping is **a drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Donald McNeilly  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dawn Travelstead <[REDACTED]>

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:04:15 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please stop the snares that kill animals cruelly. It breaks my heart to see an animal struggle and die slowly -10179 ?-9068 ?.

Thank you,

Dawn Travelstead

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**From:** Deborah Williamson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:03:38 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Commissioners:

Please ban traps on public lands. Trapping is an archaic practice that is a drain on our precious wildlife. For only twenty dollars, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants, and is not liable for the bycatch. What a deal for those who engage in this practice- no liability while families suffer loses of beloved pets. And this practice denudes our landscapes of native species, key to ecosystems, for private profit. Pelts are sold in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax! I urge you to ban the practice of trapping on public lands.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Dr. Deb Williamson

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Bill Riker [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 07:00:11 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Trapping is cruel and unnecessary in our modern world.

Thanks for listening.

Bill Riker

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Peggy Weigle [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:57:41 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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I am writing to urge you to support banning trapping on all public lands. This barbaric practice is as outdated as cock fighting and dog fighting. It has no place in a civilized society. There is no need for it. It benefits few and causes pain and suffering for wild and domestic animals. Its time for New Mexico to enter the 21st century.

Thank you,

Peggy Weigle  
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Alexia Kniska [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:57:18 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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I would like for you to adopt a ban on all traps on New Mexico public lands. You have the public support since this is a strong desire of the majority of New Mexicans . Please stop the use of such cruel devices .

You can do this and I am counting on you to make it happen! Alexia Kniska

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Carol Price [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:32:15 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Hello from carol and George Price

We ask you to stop trapping wild animals in New Mexico. A healthy environment needs ALL animals.

Thanks

Carol and George Price

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Jan McCreary [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:53:19 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear NM Game Commission,

I am writing you today to request that you ban traps from all public lands in New Mexico. We live in Grant County close to the Gila National Forest and we often see wild animals that are crippled and injured from traps; even ones that have lost legs. It is a heartbreaking sight. We also have friends and neighbors who have had their dogs or cats injured in traps. It is time for New Mexico to join the 21st Century and do away with cruel trapping. Thank You.

Jan McCreary

**From:** Katie Bruell [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:52:56 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Traps are terrifying for families who recreate on our public lands with their pets. The horror, trauma, and long-lasting impacts of having a family pet caught in a trap are devastating. Furthermore, traps are an exceedingly inhumane way to hunt.

Please, ban this cruel practice from our state.

Thank you,

Katie

**From:** Paul Wilson [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 05:56:35 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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PLEASE ban these very cruel and inhumane traps NOW! Thank you, Paul Wilson

**From:** Martha SHERLIN [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:52:30 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Ms. Prukop,

I strongly urge you to support a ban on animal trapping in New Mexico. It is inhumane and cruel. It is also incredibly dangerous for those of us hike and enjoy our wonderful state with our dogs!

Sincerely,  
Martha Sherlin

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**From:** Mack and Quintana [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:46:02 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Public Lands belong to us all. Traps are dangerous, non-specific tools that place humans, dogs and non-targeted wildlife at risk of horrible pain and death. At best traps are cruel and have no place on public lands. Please ban their use on public lands.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Quintana [REDACTED]



Love Prevails

**From:** Rebecca Kraimer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:48:04 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dear Commissioners:

New Mexico is a beautiful state with wildlife that should be treasured and appreciated ALIVE!

- Trapping is **cruel**: trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.
- Trapping is **indiscriminate**: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.
- Trapping is **a public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in [amputation](#) and, in [two cases](#), death. Traps are a danger to people too.
- Trapping is **a drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Please, please, please stop the desecration of our wildlife!

Outlaw trapping immediately!

Rebecca Kraimer  
[REDACTED]

**From:** WILLIAM FRENCH [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:42:26 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please, please ban these cruel traps!!

Joanna French

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Karens [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:32:59 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Greetings,

I live in northern NM, up by the Colorado border on the road to the Valle Vidal. We have experienced a gross reduction in wildlife in our area due to indiscriminate trapping - and here we live on the very edge of wild lands! Trapping on public lands MUST be stopped - for the wants (\$) of a few, the entire ecosystem is in peril.

Thank You for Listening,

Karen Ahlgren

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Alan Suits [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:19:55 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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I live in [REDACTED] County and I am in complete support of a total ban on leghold traps ( and any other type of trap especially cyanide poison).

sincerely,  
Alan Suits

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bettina Bickel [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 10:51:49 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please ban traps from all public lands in New Mexico for the following reasons:

- Trapping is **cruel**: trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.
- Trapping is **indiscriminate**: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species including Mexican gray wolves and companion animals are often caught in traps.
- Trapping is a **public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in **amputation** and, in **two cases**, death. Traps are a danger to people too.
- Trapping is a **drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Sincerely,  
Bettina Bickel

[REDACTED]

**From:** Virgene Link-New [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 08:13:04 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is cruel and indiscriminate. This throw back to bygone years must end. Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Virgene Link-New

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Kenneth Hargis [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 03:56:59 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Hargis

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Raleigh Koritz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 04:19:20 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Raleigh Koritz

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Sherri Jordan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 02:35:24 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I strongly urge you to move forward on the side of compassion and stop the barbaric act that is trapping. It is not only barbaric, cruel and out-dated, it is dangerous for all who seek out recreation in New Mexico.

If we as a state are truly going to develop outdoor recreation opportunities in New Mexico, we must show that this is safe place that cares about all of our natural species, and wants it to be safe for hikers, companion animals, children.

Again, I urge you to stop the cruel practice of trapping.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sherri Jordan

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Judith Anastasio [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 01:32:12 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Stop the trapping Please. It is barbaric.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Judith Anastasio

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Charlotte Cooke [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 10:33:56 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Cooke

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Seva Joseph [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 07:30:43 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I have worked for the State of New Mexico for 23 years spending a great deal of time outdoors and in rural communities. I have rarely encountered fur bearers or any damage caused by them. I have seen a bobcat caught in a trap on BLM land. It was heartbreaking to see and deeply disturbing when I reported it and found out it was legal and nothing would be done to end such inhuman treatment . I greatly value our public lands and feel they should be managed to promote intact ecosystems and not allow trapping. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely

Seva Joseph

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Seva Joseph

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Ver?nica B. [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 03:59:49 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ver?nica B.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Denise Saccone [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 01:58:55 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Denise Saccone

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Sarah Dampf [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 12:56:55 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sarah Dampf

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Nicole Waltermire ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 11:47:43 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Nicole Waltermire

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Deb Ungar [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 09:50:29 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This is way past due. The benefits of trapping are minimal compared to the risks to people and animals not meant to be ensnared. It's time to rule on favor of the greater good.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Deb Ungar

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Inge Bjorkman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/01/2019 03:15:39 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Inge Bjorkman

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**From:** Debbie Vering [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 01:18:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

These are public land that should be enjoyed by all not trappers. I walk my dogs on public lands where they can run free off the leash. I constantly fear that they will run into a trap. Trapping is old and barbaric and is outdated in this century and should be outlawed in this country and state.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Debbie Vering

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Steve/Tedi La/Witt [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 11/01/2019 01:37:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comments on Game Commission proposals

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We support prohibiting trapping on/within The Sandia Ranger District.

Thank You

Also support Trapper education.

Please consider 1 mile setbacks at Trail Heads and picnic areas.

Steve/Tedi

**From:** Lee Goodwin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 05:53:25 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comments re proposed changes to trapping & furbearer rules

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To: New Mexico Department of Game and Fish  
Attn: Furbearer Rule Development

With respect to the proposed changes to the Trapping and Furbearer Rule for 2020-24, I would like to see a full and outright ban on trapping in New Mexico. The draft proposal does nothing to address the underlying problem with trapping: it is indiscriminate, arbitrary, and inhumane. Moreover, regardless of what rules that the Department of Game and Fish may promulgate, or the demands they place on a licensee, the rules are fundamentally unenforceable.

The Department has no effective means to ensure that licensees comply with rules in placing and checking traps, in reporting on animals that are trapped, and in the actual means of harvest or disposition of the trapped animal or its pelt.

The proposed clarification with respect to intentional trapping of certain species is nonsensical when neither the state nor the trapper has any control over what type of animal in fact sets foot in a trap. To acknowledge this in the guise of “intention” does nothing to change the reality that protected and non-target species have been and will always be caught in traps. This is an unacceptable trade-off.

The Department’s own reports show that one in five licensees fail to comply with mandatory reporting. The proposed trapper education course will not change this lack of compliance. Reporting is already a condition of obtaining a license.

Animal trapping is indefensible in light of the prolonged suffering of trapped animals. Despite the opinion of a small minority, our society has already banned such traditional “sports” as cock fighting and dog fighting because they are inhumane. Likewise, animal trapping is not a sport, and should be banned because it is inhumane. Furthermore, due to their indiscriminate and arbitrary nature, traps pose an unacceptable risk to domestic pets and even humans — particularly young children.

As a frequent user of our public lands, I urge the Department of Game and Fish to be more forward-looking in its management and oversight of our state’s resources. Climate change affects animal habitat, and the Department should focus on sustainable policies that support and preserve all forms of wildlife in the face of accelerating environmental challenges. Rather than promote such activities as trapping, which last year killed a minimum of 5,185 “protected” furbearers and uncounted thousands of “unprotected” animals, the Department should focus on public education to respect and protect wildlife, to minimize human intrusion in their habitat, and to enjoy and recreate in wilderness areas, forests, and parks in ways that leave no trace.

Trapping is a vestige of an economic activity that largely ended more than a century and a half ago. Tourism and minimal-impact wilderness recreation have significant contemporary economic impact, and can be more important in the future if effectively managed across state (and federal) government agencies. The Department of Game and Fish should shift its efforts from promoting the exploitation of the resources under its care to embracing the activities that the majority of its constituents support: the enjoyment of our natural environment without the arbitrary and inhumane destruction of wildlife, and threat to people and their pets, posed by trapping.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed rules changes.

Sincerely,  
Lee Goodwin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Tabatha Hirsch [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/02/2019 11:39:00 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Concerned citizen

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Hello I am a student who lives here in [REDACTED] and loves the natural world all around and frequently use public lands for recreation. Trapping should be banned on all NM public lands, as it endangers non-target species and pets and makes our public lands unsafe for family recreation. Trapping also allows .1% of the NM population to cruelly maim and kill wildlife for personal profit. Our neighboring states have banned trapping on public lands, and NM should do the same.

Thank you,

Tabatha Hirsch

**From:** Cheryl Hastings [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/01/2019 11:29:01 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Inadequate rules changes

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More needs to be done to protect our wildlife. No bag limits from trapping! Unconscionable!  
A \$20 permit is ridiculous considering the value of the wildlife killed. And for furs that will be exported to foreign countries since Americans don't wear them anymore. The system is seriously flawed and needs fundamental changes.

Cheryl Hastings  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/02/2019 02:25:33 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] leg hold traps et all

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Gentlemen and ladies,

I am an outdoorsman but neither a hunter or a trapper. I believe your continued support of the use of leg hold traps and the like is not only cruel and inhuman but borders on immoral. I am reminded of: What would Jesus do? Although man has dominion over the animals, I suspect the Bible assumed that there would be some compassion in the use of that power.

Please reconsider the use of such cruel devices.

Bill Schwent

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**From:** Sue Small [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 06:03:30 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] NM DGF trapping regulations October 2019 comments

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Wildlife is held in public trust; our NM Department of Game & Fish must abide by the wishes of the public as we continue to demand cessation of trapping on our New Mexico public lands. Those voices at the public meeting on 10/30/2019 in Albuquerque are not to be ignored as effort is made to constrain comments to just the "proposed changes". The private gain from commercializing skins from fur bearing wildlife is forced subsidization of few at the public expense of many. Leaving an animal's body behind after stripping off its skin for money is barbaric; there's not even the potential justification of providing meat for human consumption.

All fur bearing wildlife are to be held in public trust, including those currently excluded from NM DG&F regulations such as coyotes. Science and ethics cannot support unlimited killing.

Takings from public lands must be in the public interest; royalties are paid by other private interests exploiting our public lands' minerals, wood and other resources, yet the trappers only pay their tag fees. There's no economic justice in this arrangement.

Lacking peer reviewed and published scientific population data on our wildlife, and lacking a clear and publicly engaged monitoring program to determine wildlife health, sustainability, and welfare makes the NM DGF proposals a mockery of proper stewardship.

Trapping is cruel; trapping is indiscriminate; trapping is an unnecessary public safety hazard; and trapping to export the skins of our New Mexican wildlife to enrich a few trappers must stop.

I send thanks in anticipation of your response to my comments.

Sue Small  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Richard Brooks [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 04:22:20 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] NM trapping

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NM Game Commission:

We would like to see a ban on traps and snares on all NM public lands.

We ask that, at the very least, traps and snares be prohibited in the Sandia Ranger District.

Please consider making the trapping setback a mile from trailheads and picnic areas.

We approve of additional education for the licensing of trappers.

Richard & Marilyn Brooks

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Kelly McEwen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 12:01:31 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] NO TRAPPING

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The State of New Mexico is not represented well by allowing the inhumane treatment of animals through trapping! End trapping now. A few thousand trappers should not dictate the majority's right to enjoy public lands without fear of the indiscriminate trapping of pets and wildlife.

We don't want to have to change our tourism tag line from New Meixco True to New Mexico Cruel.

Regards,  
Kelly McEwen

[REDACTED]

**From:** Gordon Harris [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/02/2019 09:40:52 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please ban trapping on public lands

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I am a NM resident and frequent user of public lands for recreation. Trapping should be banned on all NM public lands, as it endangers non-target species and pets and makes our public lands unsafe for family recreation. Trapping also allows .1% of the NM population to cruelly maim and kill wildlife for personal profit. Our neighboring states have banned trapping on public lands, and NM should do the same.

Thank you,

W Gordon Harris  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Vicky Lee Groskinsky [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 06:38:39 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please do not allow any Traps on All New Mexico Public Lands

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Commissioners, as a long time resident of New Mexico, I would like to voice my opposition to trapping on public lands.

- Trapping on public lands results in haphazard trapping of unintended animals including pets. I personally know a person who was injured trying to release her dog that had been captured in a trap. No pets should ever be caught in traps. No wolves and other wild animals should ever be caught in traps.
- Trapping is brutal and savage; it should be a thing of the past and not allowed on our public lands. Animals suffer in traps and this is not acceptable.
- Trapping can not be monitored properly. There is not enough staff to make sure that many activities on public lands are conducted legally and this includes trapping. This makes these lands more unsafe and inhospitable for all users, let alone the wildlife.

Our magnificent New Mexico Public Lands are tainted by trapping. Please ban trapping on New Mexico Public Lands.  
Sincerely, Vicky

Vicky Groskinsky  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Beau Borrero [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/02/2019 09:18:04 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please end all trapping on Public Lands in NM

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Thanks!

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You can hear my music at:

[REDACTED]

**From:** Raye Leith [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 11/02/2019 08:08:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please join other states in this ban!

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**cruelly maim and kill wildlife for personal profit.**

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**NEW MEXICO SHOULD DO THE SAME.**

Sincerely,  
Deborah Leith

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**From:** sara sexton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 01:46:53 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

sara sexton

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**From:** Resa Sawyer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 09:15:40 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Resa Sawyer

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**From:** Martha Ennis [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 01:08:19 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Martha Ennis

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Story Leonard [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/02/2019 04:56:31 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please stop trapping!

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To Fish & Game:

I am a NM resident and frequent user of public lands for recreation. Trapping should be banned on all NM public lands, as it endangers non-target species and pets and makes our public lands unsafe for family recreation. Trapping also allows .1% of the NM population to cruelly maim and kill wildlife for personal profit. Our neighboring states have banned trapping on public lands, and NM should do the same.

Thank you,  
Story Leonard

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**From:** Nicole Andrews [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/02/2019 11:20:35 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Sandia Ranger District Trap Free

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Please make the Sandia Ranger District trap free. This is a highly populated recreation area for people and their pets. Making this area trap free will protect people and pets from harm as well as the wildlife population.

Sincerely,

Nicole Andrews

**From:** Dina Siegel [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/01/2019 07:57:19 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stop trapping completely on public land

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There is no reason to trap. Nobody wears fur. It is immensely cruel. It disturbs the healthy balance of predators. And it hurts household pets.

Stop this outdated practice immediately.

Dina Siegel

[REDACTED]

**From:** marilynn Szydlowski [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/01/2019 09:13:36 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping and snares

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Commissioners:

I attended the meeting presented by NM Game and Fish on Wed Oct 30 in Albuquerque. The presentation was very informative and educational. I was encouraged to see 'education', licensing changes and the prohibition of poison on certain areas of Public Lands.

It has long been the position that the department is to implement "Best Management Practices" for the furbearers as well as bear and cougar. The new rules incorporate in some variety those practices. Trapping is claimed to be a "valuable wildlife management tool". Yet there is no management to recreational and commercial trapping. Staffing of the department is trying its best but is underfunded and does not have the resources to 'hunt down' poachers and other offenders. There is no discrimination from these traps and snares. Dogs, people, javelina, young deer and other leg walkers can all be targets.

The new rules are trying to improve on an archaic practice that is becoming more and more unacceptable to the general public. It is time to ban leg-hold trapping and neck snaring as a means of "best management practices" on Public Lands.

It is time to ban leg-hold trapping and neck snares for 'harvest'. Selling animal pelts to the voracious fur-coat market in Asia is egregious.

Thank you, Marilynn Szydlowski, [REDACTED] NM

**From:** Jenifer Getz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/02/2019 12:25:51 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Cc:** Dan Getz <planedz@yahoo.com>  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping in NM

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Hello,

I am a resident of [REDACTED] and my neighborhood backs up to the [REDACTED] hiking trail on the south side of the Sandia Mountains.

I am emailing to let you know, I support the prohibition of traps and snares in the Sandia Mountain Ranger District. Further I would like to see trapping banned from all NM public lands.

Thank you

Jenifer Getz  
[REDACTED]

**From:** rebecca vitale-mandich [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 01:32:52 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping On NM public lands

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Hello Gov Michelle Lujan Grisham

I just participated in a Beaver Dam Building Day with a local environmental and a forest service guide. We were engaged in trying to reestablish beavers once again on public lands. I asked if beavers were protected from trapping on public lands and the reply much to my dismay, was NO. And I thought well here we are just setting it up for the beavers to be killed.. It is very sad that these fabulous ecosystem engineers that were almost trapped to extinction will now again be trapped starting tomorrow, NOV 1...I urge you to reconsider allowing trapping on our public lands. Please outlaw this macabre and disruptive enterprise and relegate it in New Mexico to the dust bin of history. It is time, if we want to present our state as forward looking in the 21st century and not a state that is a throwback to the 19th century. Let's modernize these systems currently allowing such disregard for science, climate change and wildlife rights to "game "commissioners that are out of step with an educated understanding of the intricacies regarding healthy ecosystem management. Let's change these trapping laws to reflect sound science and smart policy making. Currently, neither of these tenets are in process.

Say NO to trapping on public lands now.

Thank you  
Rebecca Vitale Mandich

**From:** Carol Hill [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/01/2019 06:02:43 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping on or within the Sandia Ranger District

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Alan and Carol Hill of [REDACTED] support the prohibition of traps and snares in the Sandia Mountain Ranger District.

Carol Hill  
Alan Hill

**From:** C. Townsend [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/01/2019 08:46:35 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping on public lands.

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I, my family, and our friends, all enjoy using public lands for hiking, biking, and other outdoor activities. We enjoy taking our dogs along with us when we go. We don't want to worry about our pets being injured by traps when enjoying these places. Traps don't belong on public lands!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

C. Townsend

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**From:** Mary Anne Wisnewski [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 11:25:37 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping on Public Lands

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To Whom it May Concern,

I can hardly believe that in the twenty-first century we are even discussing the issue of trapping, a barbaric practice that ought to have been abandoned years ago. For some reason, the wildlife commission seems to think torturing animals to death in a horrible, painful and utterly cruel way is just fine. The fact that this practice of trapping is not only tolerated but PROTECTED leads us to believe that there is a financial gain involved for someone or several persons charged with making these important decisions.

Anyone supporting trapping and protecting this abhorrent method of animal cruelty is without a conscience and also missing anything resembling a HEART. Not only the misery and suffering caused for wildlife, but peoples beloved DOGS have been trapped and died. How would you feel if a small child was trapped, or your own family pet injured or killed? These traps are a public danger and should have been BANNED long ago!

Can we bring this backwards state into the modern era? Can we do THE RIGHT THING and ban these hideous implements of torture? Immediately!

You are elected to serve the public and not serve yourselves. Overwhelmingly, New Mexicans are AGAINST trapping. Now, lets see that made into a LAW. Do your jobs and honor the wishes of the majority of people in New Mexico, and not a small minority of animal torturers.

Sincerely and with Absolute Disgust,

Mary Anne Wisnewski, RN

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**From:** JudyandSteve [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 11/01/2019 01:58:44 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Regulations

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Dear Game Commissioners,

I am a concerned citizen and I attended the NM G&F meeting in Albuquerque on October 30. I sent a previous email on September 20, 2019 that makes clear my opposition to traps and snares on all public land in NM. My position hasn't changed, but I understand that the proposed regulations are likely to be adopted in some form and a ban on all public lands is not on the table at this time.

Therefore, I would like to state that I support the new regulations. I would prefer the setback at picnic areas, trailheads, rest areas, etc. to be 1 mile rather than 1/2 mile. I support all of the land that was added to trap and snare free areas. Most critical to me is the following:

**I support the prohibition of traps and snares in the Sandia Mountain Ranger District.**

Although I hike in various parts of the State, I hike extensively and frequently in the Sandia Mountain Ranger District. I live in Carnuel, and my neighborhood has been directly and negatively impacted by trapping in Tres Pistolas Canyon: injury to dogs, injury to a human rescuing a dog, and by reduction of the wildlife which tipped the balance between predators and rodents.

Thank you for reducing trapping near the most populated areas in the State of New Mexico. The changes are very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Judith Scarbrough

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**From:** Peggy Norton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/01/2019 10:47:12 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping rule changes

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Your new rules do not go far enough - you should be banning trapping in NM. I sent in earlier comments and have more to add after the meeting in Albuquerque on October 30. I spoke at the meeting and would like to summarize my comments for the record. Trapping is not scientific management of game populations - harvest is not managed by location or numbers or species. It was stated that you attempt to comply with an international effort in 1997 to establish humane trapping standards. However, the fact that 85 countries have banned traps indicates a change since 1997 and indicates there are not humane trapping standards. It was stated that trapping is necessary for research - this was an exception allowed in the last legislation. The statement that most pet incidents are a result of illegal trapping is not backed up by data. When I tried to report a trap incident (legally set), the person laughed at me for being so naive as to think trapping is not legal and didn't take any information. I therefore did not report a second one. Yes, a highly publicized incident was the result of illegal trapping but that does not validate your statement. There are not enough officers to enforce the regulations.

Peggy Norton  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Holly Scanlon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 06:06:32 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. They're horribly cruel and dangerous and I thought they we're only used 100 to 200 years ago when we still had fur Trappers and other Hunters killing Buffalo and other animals to the brink of Extinction. These things are a disgusting relic of the past, let's get rid of them! They belong in the Dustbin of History, let's put them there!

Sincerely,  
Holly Scanlon

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Becky C. Davis [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 10:10:44 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping rules and licences

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Dear Sirs --

New Mexico is supposed to be a modern and enlightened state in so many areas. Yet, our Dept. of Game and Fish continues to allow the maiming, trapping and needless killing of small and medium predator species for their skins. Extremely barbaric!

Are the 2,000 or so trapping licenses at about \$20.00 per license really worth so much more to the state than a stable predator/prey ecosystem in our forests and parks? These trappers kill the ecosystems they impact.

Like cock fighting and dog fighting, this "tradition" is sadistic, tortuous and wasteful of all affected and ancillary animals near any trapping. Do not renew the rules or the licenses, and indeed, write a rule to prohibit any form of trapping on public lands.

Please, demonstrate compassion and enlightenment.

Respectfully,  
Becky C. Davis, citizen

**From:** ryhirsch [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/02/2019 11:33:05 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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I am a NM resident and my family and I use public lands for recreation. Trapping should be banned on all NM public lands, as it endangers precious wildlife and pets and makes our public lands unsafe for family recreation. Trapping also allows a slim fraction of our population to kill wildlife for personal profit at the expense of the vast majority of us that care for humane common sense and biodiversity. Our neighboring states have banned trapping on public lands, and NM should do the same.

Thank you for your genuine consideration.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Helen Huntley [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 11/01/2019 10:59:36 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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I oppose recreational and commercial trapping on public lands. The practice is barbaric, archaic, and cruel, often resulting in the trapped animals suffering before they die. This practice is not compatible with our values, as nearly 70% of New Mexicans oppose trapping. Please ban trapping on public lands.

Thank you.

Helen Huntley

**From:** Ruth Mueller [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 11/02/2019 12:00:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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Please ban trapping in the Sandia mountains. We hike in the mountains frequently and it would be nice not to have to worry about the danger of hidden traps. We also love the wildlife in the mountains and don't want them exposed to this cruel, antiquated method.

Thanks so much for your consideration.

Ruth Mueller

**From:** Silda Mason [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 03:25:21 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] TRAPS

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I attended for the first time a meeting at the NM Game and Fish Department. I decided to get involved because I think it's about time to stop the cruel trapping of wildlife, our dogs, and possibly our children. I was so dismayed to find out that this Game and Fish Department is an outdated agency of times past. They don't exist to protect the fish or the wildlife. On the contrary, **they exist to provide the animals for killers of wildlife to continue with their cruel entertainment.** Who would raise a child to enjoy killing animals? It seems this view still exists among a few. Our Governor who has excelled in many issues of education should take notice that this antiquated department is not in step with what the majority of New Mexicans uphold: Trapping is cruel and unnecessary. The trap does not discriminate. It can hurt any living being. This agency should manage wildlife for the safe enjoyment of our forests by hikers, bird watchers, and people who like to watch live animals in their environment.

Silda Mason  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Eric Smith [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/31/2019 12:07:29 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT]

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Commissioners,

Please ban trapping on public lands. My concern is “by-catch.” I urge you, at least, to require a count of animals caught by mistake. I know trapping has a long tradition, here. I know it’s hard work and that pelts are not easily got. But it’s time New Mexico joined other states in ending the practice, especially on public lands.

Thank you,  
Eric Smith  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sloane, Michael B., DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 09:02:27 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXT] Ban Trapping in the State of New Mexico

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Michael B. Sloane  
Director  
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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Campbell Leonard <[REDACTED]>  
**Date:** November 3, 2019 at 8:48:39 PM MST  
**To:** "Sloane, Michael B., DGF" <michael.sloane@state.nm.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Trapping in the State of New Mexico

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To the Game and Fish Dept of New Mexico,  
I am a New Mexico resident and frequent user of public lands for recreation. Trapping should be banned on all of New Mexico's public lands, as it endangers non-target species and pets, and makes our environment unsafe for family recreation. Trapping also allows .1% of the NM population to cruelly maim and kill wildlife for personal profit, and enjoyment. Our neighboring states of Arizona, Colorado, and California have prohibited all trapping on all public lands, and we should do the same. Please consider the safety and health of our home, and the many creatures that we share it with. Thank you,  
Campbell Leonard, high schooler, 18-year resident of New Mexico, and very concerned citizen.

**From:** Robert L Anderson <[REDACTED]>

**Sent time:** 11/06/2019 05:50:52 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Hi,

Trapping on any lands in our beautiful state, public or private should be banned. This is such a barbaric and cruel activity that give us all a black eye in the larger public audience, especially people who might come here as tourists or visitors. I walk many lands in NM it is not clear whether it is private or public and this can cause great suffering to innocent people.

Please ban this outdated activity in our state. We are much better than this and we want to really send a message of concern and care for wildlife, not create a free fire kill zone.

Sincerely,  
Robert Anderson, Ph D

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**From:** Dave Rockwell [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/05/2019 07:33:00 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Let's move into the 21st century and end this cruel trapping of fur bearing animals. Just because we've always done it that way isn't logic to continue. Allowing individuals to profit from this business is wrong. The areas are shared by all and people who don't trap should be listened to for their ideas about trapping. Not to mention all the other animals that get caught in these traps....If you are going to continue at least it should be moved away from population areas...Not in Our Back Yards! You are allowing something that 80% of the public doesn't want to continue.....Trapping must stop!

Sincerely David Rockwell of [REDACTED] NM

**From:** Philip Milstein [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/15/2019 06:16:30 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Trapping animals, whether for meat or fur, is cruel and indiscriminate. New Mexico must put a stop to such actions.

Please ban all trapping on public lands. In addition, such bans must be vigorously reinforced.

Bans should take place as soon as possible!

Sincerely,

Karen Milstein

**From:** Kay [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/05/2019 03:25:35 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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PLEASE ban traps from all New Mexico public lands. What a cruel way to die, and especially when an unintended creature or pet is caught. Please stop this inhumane practice. Thank you.

Kayce Leopold

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Rose Marie Gonzales Nielsen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 11:48:38 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please ban traps from NM Public Lands. People and their pets use these lands for recreation and can be caught in one. These traps are indiscriminate in whom the snare. They are not well supervised and living creatures are made to suffer needlessly.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Lori Gutenberg [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/05/2019 01:34:50 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please

**From:** Bill Dobbeck [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/17/2019 09:29:16 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dear Sir. It's 2019, almost 2020. In my opinion, trapping has outlived its place in the modern world. NM could be seen as a smart state that is starting to end some the old, outdated and negative views and go forward towards being a state that attracts Spaceports, World class Science Labs and artists from around the world - not a state that still allows trapping: a relic from the 17 and 1800s like the horse and buggys, steam engines and slavery to name a few. Please let this relic of the past centuries disappear forever. Sincerely, Bill Dobbeck

**From:** Paul Smith [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/21/2019 08:25:50 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Time to stop the outdated and barbaric practice of trapping on public land! Please take the steps to make this happen. Thank you. - Paul J. Smith, [REDACTED] NM

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 03:59:40 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Dear All,

Traps have no place on New Mexico's public lands. They cause too many accidents, among many other reasons.

Sincerely,

Bruce Donnell

**From:** Diana Zelnio [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 01:45:37 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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I am repulsed that this barbaric practice is still being allowed in New Mexico (and elsewhere); please get with the times and get rid of this horrific practice!

Below see some of the reasons why:

- Trapping is **cruel**: trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.
- Trapping is **indiscriminate**: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.
- Trapping is a **public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in [amputation](#) and, in [two cases](#), death. Traps are a danger to people too.
- Trapping is a **drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Thank you, Diana Zelnio

**From:** Bo Bergstrom [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 03:40:20 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dear Commissioners:

I am a frequent user of the Gila National Forest, and request that you respect the majority will of our citizens and ban traps from all public lands. I cite the following reasons:

Trapping is **cruel**: trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.

Trapping is **indiscriminate**: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.

Trapping is **a public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in [amputation](#) and, in [two cases](#), death. Traps are a danger to people too.

Trapping is **a drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Sincerely, Bo Bergstrom  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** kathryn schmid [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/15/2019 09:39:30 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please ban traps from all public lands in New Mexico. It is in humane and barbaric practice and unsafe for the public and their pets. Killing animals for pelts is out dated and barbaric.

Last week my friends dog got caught in a trap and it was impossible for one man to release. He took the dog with the trap on its leg to the vet where it took 3 people to remove. This trap was just feet off the trail on public land. It was very traumatic for the owner as well as the dog.

At the very least trappers should have to notify hikers that there is a trap in the area and post at all trail heads and on the trail by the trap.

Thank you, Kathryn Schmid

[REDACTED]

**From:** CindyR [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 11:46:23 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Cc:** CindyR <croper56@gmail.com>  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to express my deep concern about the ongoing issues with trapping in New Mexico. There are many reasons that I believe trapping should be banned on public lands (the inherently indiscriminate nature and inhumanity of traps are at the top of that list). But I'm sure you've heard from many New Mexicans concerned with those issues.

In my mind, the strongest argument against trapping is how we allow 0.1% of New Mexico's population unlimited access to the wildlife that belongs to every citizen of this state. "There is no bag limit on any protected furbearer" is absolute exploitation of our wildlife, for private profit, with little to no benefit to the state. If you are going to continue to allow this commodification of animal lives to go on, then you need to (1) limit the number of trapping licenses sold and (2) allow any NM citizen to purchase them. Then, at the very least, those of us who respect and value these animals alive will be afforded the same rights to this hideousness.

It is well past time to stop allowing our NM wildlife pelts from ending up overseas somewhere so that some wealthy and uncompassionate jerk might bedeck themselves.

Trapping on NM public lands is no longer warranted. Do what is best for this state and ban traps from NM public lands!

Sincerely,

Cindy Roper  
[REDACTED]

"We abuse land because we regard it as a commodity belonging to us. When we see land as a community to which we belong, we may begin to use it with love and respect."

**Aldo Leopold**, *A Sand County Almanac*.

**From:** Lee Sonne [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/21/2019 02:51:23 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Living in Catron County, I am always very worried when I hike with my dog that she will get caught in a trap. There is no reasonable defense for trapping wild animals to sell their skins especially when so many of what is caught is not worth anything for their skins. And furthermore, the trappers I know simply like to be out in the forest and consider it a game when they occasionally trap something they can sell.

Trapping is inhumane, it is not necessary and the havoc it causes for non-wanted animals is terrible. Please, please vote to ban trapping in New Mexico.

Thanks you.

Lee Sonne,

[REDACTED] County resident

**From:** Paula Chesnik [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/08/2019 07:24:34 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dear Commissioners,

I use our public lands often and I would like to do so without the fear that my children or pets may be hurt by a trap. This is a barbaric and inhumane practice that is no longer necessary.

Please think of the animals that lay in traps for days terrified, starving, freezing and in excruciating pain; so desperate they will chew off their own limb to be free.

The "New Mexico True" campaign encourages people to be true to our way of life and our beautiful state, that should not include indiscriminate killing of our wildlife.

PLEASE BAN THIS CRULE AND UNCESSARY PRATICE.

Thank you,

Paula Chesnik  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cathy Vachez [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 12:34:16 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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**Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands!!!!!!!!!!**

**Cathy Bedart-Vachez.**

**From:** Elizabeth Buchen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 10:56:51 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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- Trapping is **indiscriminate**: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.
- Trapping is **a public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in [amputation](#) and, in [two cases](#), death. Traps are a danger to people too.
- Trapping is **a drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

**From:** Carl Hansen <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 10:32:35 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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To whom it may concern,

Respectfully I want to ask the commissioners to Ban all trapping on public lands, despite the modified traps and supposed attentive trappers, much pain, suffering and cruelty is put upon these wild creatures and frequently pets. Its time to stop this barbaric practice.

Thank you,

Carl Hansen

District Fire Chief , [REDACTED]

**From:** Terri Blake <[REDACTED]>

**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 09:55:40 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please discontinue your trapping process. It is too dangerous for humans, pets & service animals, & wildlife. ASAP.

Thank you,

Terri Blake, [REDACTED] resident

**From:** Leslie Byrnes [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 09:28:23 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please stop the carnage. No one needs to trap for any reason. Trapping is too indiscriminate. Thank you.

Sent from my iPad

**From:** kwindchild [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 10:18:23 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Dear New Mexico Legislators,

I am imploring you, please, ban the trapping on public lands in this state. It is a cruel practice to sentient beings much like ourselves. It indiscriminately

kills all creatures regardless of their value to the trapper. It is a public safety issue for people and everything else that may come across those paths. And

perhaps most importantly, half the number of animals that existed on this planet in 1970 have already disappeared; we cant continue to eliminate

animals indiscriminately without suffering dire consequences of the lack of biodiversity which is required for a healthy ecosystem, so that we all may

continue to live. It is no longer an option to waste the biological resources of this planet without suffering the results .

Please respect the life forms we are all intertwined with. thank you,

respectfully, Karen Windchild

**From:** Cherylmn@comcast.net [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 08:28:23 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please please please put an end to trapping on all New Mexico Public Lands!

**From:** Suzanne Schneider [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 09:01:04 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Stop trapping on public lands! It is inhumane and causes the painful death of our wildlife and even domestic animals. How can a few trappers outrule an over-whelming majority who oppose it? Any doubt of this, let people vote on the issue.

**From:** Frédéric Jaubert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/03/2019 08:13:12 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dear members:

The Game Commission is considering minor changes to the trapping rule: they are inadequate. Another trapping season is looming in New Mexico after last year's saw at least two dogs killed, a handful of others injured, and untold thousands of native wildlife trapped and skinned for their fur!

Nearly 70% of New Mexicans oppose trapping entirely. While a public lands trapping ban (like Roxy's Law) is the best way to stop the cruelty and risk to public safety, our commissioners instead are entertaining an inadequate set of changes to the rule, including:

- Closing only 0.5% of New Mexico's public land to most traps.
- Increasing setbacks from trailheads, but not from trails or roads.
- Adopting a year-round season for raccoons and nutria.
- Increasing trap check times for underwater traps.
- Minor changes aren't going to fly.

New Mexicans want and deserve traps OFF of public lands.

Traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps. Trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.

Traps are cruel, they are indiscriminate, they are dangerous, and they are sapping our landscapes of native wildlife. For only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Please ban cruel and indiscriminate traps from all of New Mexico's public lands!

Sincerely:

Frédéric Jaubert  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Melissa Johnson [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 12:54:42 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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**From:** Mary K. Rieb [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/23/2019 01:47:08 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Traps are inhumane for anyone or any animal. These need to be banned.

MK Rieb

**From:** cal jaeger [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 12:43:08 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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I have emailed the commission and the governor about this before. I believe that all trapping should be banned as inhumane and a danger to the public. But if that is a bridge too far then banning on all public lands should be done. The amount of money brought in from trappers (if any) is far less than from tourists who generally would agree with most New Mexicans and find trapping is very bad. Do the right thing for all New Mexicans and not special interests.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

**From:** Paula Kology [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 11/21/2019 03:49:02 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please ban trapping. It's inhumane! It sickens me to think that some animals chew their leg off to free themselves. The way we treat animals says a lot about us. Please do the right thing.

Paula Kology

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Sent from my iPad

**From:** Snider, Deborah I. [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/28/2019 02:41:11 AM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us <IMCEAMAILTO-Joanna+2EPrukop+40state+2Enm+2Eus@namprd03.prod.outlook.com>; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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This is a barbaric and outdated practice, which only provides profit to a few, but is on our public land. NOT TO MENTION PAINFUL DECIMATION OF OUR WILDLIFE, AND RISK/SUFFERING TO THE PUBLIC AND DOMESTIC ANIMALS. Please help us stop trapping in any form, to preserve our land for the well-being of our wildlife and the safety of citizens and visitors.

Respectfully, as I know you have preservation of our ecology and safety of your constituents first in mind, over private profiteering and plunder of our natural resources. Please stop this - it does much destruction to our wildlife, our image, and does not benefit New Mexico in any way.

Deborah Snider

"Saving one dog will not change the world, but you will change the world for that one dog" - Author unknown

**From:** Leslie Dimmick <[REDACTED]>

**Sent time:** 11/18/2019 06:41:49 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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The Honorable Committee

This opinion letter published in the New York Times expresses my interest in trapping succinctly.

How Not to Kill an Animal

<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/11/18/opinion/animal-trapping-cruelty.html?smid=nytcore-ios-share>

Leslie R. Dimmick

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**From:** Jessica Jones <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 11/20/2019 11:14:10 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on proposed trapping rule changes

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Dear commissioners,

I am concerned about trapping's impact on New Mexico's economy and workforce. I graduated from the UNM School of Engineering several years ago and now work as a software engineer. I have interviewed a number of people for engineering jobs in New Mexico.

Outdoor recreation is a major attraction for candidates considering moving to New Mexico. To encourage qualified people to take high tech jobs in New Mexico (and to discourage college graduates from leaving), we must protect our wildlife and develop outdoor recreation opportunities. If the engineers I interview knew they could encounter a trapped animal while enjoying New Mexico's wilderness -- or, worse yet, they or their pets could be injured by a trap -- they would likely not choose to live here. I believe legalized trapping hurts the state's ability to attract educated professionals. I urge you to limit trapping to the greatest extent possible: it belongs in a 19th century economy, not a 21st century economy.

Best Regards,

Jessica Jones  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Janine Vinton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 12/01/2019 02:49:36 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Janine Vinton

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**From:** Jonathan Woodside [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/15/2019 08:56:04 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Woodside

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Bender [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/12/2019 09:16:25 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is cruel and should not be used in any circumstance. We need to protect wild animals and domestic animals/people from harm.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Karen Bender

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Monica Archuleta [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/09/2019 02:45:00 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I find the current proposals lacking appropriate oversight for wild life and domesticated beings, such as pets and humans. Traps and snares are cruel, they have no business on public lands. There needs to be true protection toward our wild life and the rapid extinction they are facing by our species existence and takeover.

I urge you to take serious action in caring to protect our wild life and public from trappings.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Monica Archuleta

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**From:** Kareyl Vattestad [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 03:51:41 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Kareyl Vattestad

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Judy Alfred [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 09:36:31 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps and snares are cruel and indiscriminate. They have no place on public land. I have seen animals caught in these terrible traps. I cannot believe they are still legal when they serve no benefit.

I frequently hike with my dogs on public land. I worry about the harm and danger that hidden traps pose to humans also.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Judy Alfred

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**From:** Jasmine Lyons [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 01:10:24 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I am a student at UNM and former Veterinary Technician. In addition to my work with domestic animals in California and New Mexico I have volunteered off and on for 18 years at wildlife hospitals in Oregon, California and New Mexico. Throughout these years I have established a very clear understanding that both domestic and wild animals experience pain and suffering just as humans do. I am shocked that the use of traps is still legal at all and the stories I hear about the careless management of their use on public land is incredibly disturbing. The use of traps is archaic and barbaric and a poor reflection of wildlife management in the state of New Mexico. I urge the NM Game Commission to ban recreational and commercial trapping on all public lands. Please.

Sincerely,

Jasmine Lyons

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jasmine Lyons

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**From:** Sarah Stout [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/06/2019 10:01:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sarah Stout

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**From:** Robert Anderson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/06/2019 05:41:22 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This is such a terrible act that has no real economic value to our state anymore, we are not a lawless frontier, and it causes great harm to people like me who walk all over our state lands with my dogs. Others have had the bad luck to be caught in one of these traps. I would like for no one in the public to have to fear this consequence of cruelty.

It should be banned even on private lands too because in the wilderness areas there are no markers of which is what for hikers and people who enjoy the outdoors. We should not be held hostage to this out dated activity. Besides we are trying to use tourism as an industry draw and if people hear these stories of cruel trapping anywhere here they will say, wait a minute maybe I don't want to chance going outdoors here, and that is our major selling point, not cruel trapping.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Robert Anderson

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**From:** Rachel Gift [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 01:40:18 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

We are already experiencing species die-off at alarming rates, and in New Mexico, our biodiversity is precious and worth preserving. Please ban trapping. It puts not only wildlife at risk but also domestic dogs and cats. Also, it's a disgrace to humanity; it's sneaky and pathetic.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rachel Gift

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**From:** Jean Carsey [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/05/2019 05:54:21 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I can't believe that anyone believes that it is morally right to allow animals to be trapped on public lands! It is cruel and inhuman. Would you want your children or grandchildren to see an animal die or his way and know that you condoned it?

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jean Carsey

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**From:** Bo Bergstrom [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 01:44:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

If the current inadequate proposals stand, NM will still be allowing unlimited killing of any "furbearing" species like foxes, bobcats and badgers. Wildlife species will still be caught by mistake, including endangered animals like the Mexican wolf. The by-catch of unintended species like javelina, cougars, bears, squirrels, porcupines and birds will still go unrecorded and uncounted. Trappers will still not be held liable if a canine companion is hurt as a result of being trapped or if a human is injured rescuing their dog.

In summary, I ask you to prohibit recreational and commercial trapping on all public lands.

--Sincerely, Bo Bergstrom.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Bo Bergstrom

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**From:** Ken Hughes [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 10:34:39 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I attended the Game and Fish meeting in Las Cruces on October 24 and was encouraged by the staff's commitment to science based approach to trapping, which is reflected in the proposed updates. However, they do not go far enough in protecting wildlife from unconsciousable pain and suffering from the use of 19th century practices. I would urge the Commission to follow the lead of Arizona in setting policies that would bring New Mexico toward the 21st century.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ken Hughes

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**From:** Janine Vinton ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 12/01/2019 03:02:08 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Janine Vinton

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**From:** Dana Shea-Reid <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 11/19/2019 04:32:06 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Exclude Sandias from trapping

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Greetings:

I want to add my comments to the proposal to exclude the Sandia Ranger District from trapping. That area is well loved and is used heavily by residents of Albuquerque as well as the Tijeras Canyon, and of course the communities in the Sandia Range. This is NO PLACE for trapping of any kind. Trapping in the Sandia Rang is not viable. The practice is inhumane to native animals. The practice endangers domestic animals accidentally trapped. The Sandias should be excluded from all trapping permanently.

Thank your for the opportunity to comment.

Dana Shea-Reid

**From:** Diana <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 11/18/2019 09:52:33 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Exclude the entire Sandia Ranger District from trapping

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Exclude the entire Sandia Ranger District from trapping--that is what they should do. Too many dogs (and the furry creatures) are at risk!!!

PLEASE NO TRAPPING!!!!!!

**From:** Rondi Mills [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 11/10/2019 07:52:03 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Furbearer trap rules

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Hello,

I would just like to add my opinion to the comments regarding proposed changes to the furbearer rules. Although I believe that trapping is by its nature cruel and indiscriminate I agree with and support the proposed changes to the rules. However I do feel the rules do not go far enough to protect animals besides the intended prey from being captured. I had a dog who was scared off by the sounds of fireworks...she ran and ran into the forrest. At some point she was caught in a snare trap which no-one was monitoring. It must have been near water because she lived long enough to lose enough weight that she could free herself. Six weeks after she went missing she was found miles from home a virtual walking skeleton. And thats a happy ending.

It also seems to me that the license fee is incredibly low for an activity that not only disturbs the delicate balance of wildlife in nature but also is most likely a profit maker for the license holders. In any other arena there would be a personal use license (up to a certain number of tagged traps) and a more expensive commercial use license. Increased license fees could be used for wildlife protection and monitoring.

Thank You,

Rondi Mills

**From:** Emma Husar [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 11/12/2019 03:04:01 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] In opposition to proposed changes to the Trapping and Furbearer Rule

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Dear Department of Game and Fish,

I respectfully oppose the proposed changes being made to trapping regulations.

It is my understanding that DGF will allow traps on public lands. I think this is out of the question. Traps cause our wildlife suffering. Much of our wildlife is endangered here, and traps make it impossible for species, like the Mexican Grey Wolf, to thrive. As we reintroduce these animals, they are often caught by traps, killing or seriously injuring them. Traps render recovery efforts for endangered species useless.

My neighbors dog was caught in a trap. This is absolutely wrong. We have the right to roam our public lands with our companion animals without the fear of getting caught in a trap - just as we hope not to get shot.

Finally, I find it unfair that such a small portion of New Mexican residents turn a profit by exploiting our wildlife. As I understand it, trappers can kill as many "protected furbearers" for only a \$20 fee. What's more, there are less than 3,000 licenses sold each year in NM. This means this small percentage of residents have unlimited killing and harming potential to wildlife that belongs to us *all*.

Trapping is cruel, creates fear of recreation and is based on an unfair economic model and should not be allowed. Please do not allow any more trapping in NM. Protect our wildlife, our pets, and our lands by opposing trapping.

Thank you,

Emma Husar  
[REDACTED]

**From:** cee moravec <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 11/06/2019 12:29:26 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] My voice

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[Sent from Yahoo Mail for](#)

On Wednesday, November 6, 2019, 11:50 AM, cee moravec <[REDACTED]> wrote:

On Wednesday, November 6, 2019, 11:47 AM, cee moravec <[REDACTED]> wrote:

I am horrified that the human race is still employing archaic devices with which to dominate, destroy and demolish the native wildlife in New Mexico. It's outrageously irresponsible that there are no "bag" limits for the number of critters that can be killed by trappers, or anyone for that matter. When the only data you base population information (specifically Bobcats) on is from the trappers themselves, you reveal complete disregard for life, native life, and public land. As for the tortuous traps that are still being used after much outcry about their inhuman, indiscriminate and cruel method of murder, there is complete deafness by you for people's thoughts, feelings, and reactions to seeing ANY critter caught in ANY kind of trap. Trap: any device, stratagem, trick or the like for catching a person or animal unawares. Nobody ever wants to be trapped by anything. BAN ALL TRAPPING ON PUBLIC LANDS!

Christine Moravec (registered voter)

[REDACTED]

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPad](#)

**From:** Pat and Terry Elder [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/14/2019 09:52:26 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] New Mexico Game and Fish Department Proposed Trapping Restrictions

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Ladies and Gentlemen

I have downloaded and read the proposed changes to the trapping rules and regulations. They seem to be intended to provide trappers reasonable access to public lands while safeguarding the General Public's access for recreational purposes. Balancing access to Public lands is what the Department should strive to do and what it seems to be trying to do.

My feeling is that by far the largest segment of New Mexico citizens using public lands, State and Federal, are using them for recreational purposes not for trapping. While it may be important to provide trappers reasonable access for trapping, it is much more important to provide safe access to recreational users.

Requiring trappers to only use lands not used primarily for recreational purposes is reasonable. Requiring trappers to comply with the rules that identify their traps is paramount to insuring that irresponsible trappers are held to account and do not jeopardize responsible trappers' access to Public Lands. Trappers, who chose to set traps in close proximity to areas used primarily by recreational users, should lose their privilege to trap and should be prosecuted for depriving the General Public of safe access to recreational opportunities on Public lands. A trapper who finds it onerous to avoid endangering individuals and domestic animals using public lands is a trapper who should be deprived of the privilege of trapping on Public Lands.

While "sporting" advocates may complain of over regulation they must realize that forcing a choice between recreational use and trapping invites forbidding trapping all together. A trapper who would not honor the proposed rules and the General Public's ability to use Public Lands endangers the responsible trapper's access to those lands.

G. Patrick Elder  
[REDACTED]

**From:** JOEL MILLER [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 01:22:32 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] new rules being proposed

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Please email me a copy of the trapping rules being proposed to tighten rules of control, public notice and enforcement for trapping in New Mexico.

Thank you,

Joel C. Miller

**From:** Lea X [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/26/2019 02:39:23 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] No commercial or recreational trapping on public lands

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Bad for animals, birds and humans - unnecessarily cruel - and doesn't even protect all animals - a few lazy killers shouldn't dictate how animals are treated

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Lea X

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**From:** Anika Poli [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/18/2019 06:43:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please ban trapping in the sandia mountains!

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Hello,

My name is Anika Poli, I am writing to you to ask that you please ban trapping in the Sandia Mountains.

Thank You,  
Anika Poli

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** SHEILA PUGACH [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/26/2019 10:25:04 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] please oppose the furbearing traps

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We have a new commissioner for Game and Fish and I hope she will change the approach of the rest of the commissioners. I know her background is in ranching. However, she may also oppose the extreme cruelty of the steel traps which also trap many pets and unintended animals.

Also the numbers of cougars and bears that can be trapped is far too high and should be reduced.

Best wishes,

Sheila Pugach  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sue Schümmer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 12/02/2019 06:09:54 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Sue Schümmer

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**From:** sara sexton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/21/2019 02:44:47 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

sara sexton

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**From:** Bryer Marnin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/18/2019 10:31:09 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Bryer Marnin

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**From:** Virginia Knapp [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/18/2019 08:39:14 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Virginia Knapp

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**From:** Paula Atkinson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/17/2019 05:55:05 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Paula Atkinson

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**From:** sara sexton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/15/2019 03:01:44 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

sara sexton

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**From:** Max Underwood [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/12/2019 05:38:24 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Max Underwood

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Richard Spotts [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/10/2019 08:57:16 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state.

As you know, hunters should know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, but trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Richard Spotts

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Jackie Schmitt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/08/2019 08:18:52 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Jackie Schmitt

[REDACTED]

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**From:** William Swinney <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 11/27/2019 04:44:12 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

William Swinney

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Flora Martinez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/08/2019 10:58:23 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Flora Martinez

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** sara sexton <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 12:05:00 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

sara sexton

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Maddie Zavada [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 11/25/2019 11:18:39 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Maddie Zavada

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Denise Hyde [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 06:01:25 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support. Thank you for sharing our concerns and taking swift action to stop this barbaric practice.

Sincerely,

Denise Hyde

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**From:** sara sexton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 12/02/2019 09:51:49 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

sara sexton

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Moir Litigation Video LLC <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 11/05/2019 02:22:56 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Prohibition of traps and snares in the Sandia Mountain Ranger District.

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I support the prohibition of traps and snares in the Sandia Mountain Ranger District.

Thank you,  
Sam Moir

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**From:** susan larsen <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 12/01/2019 01:07:05 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Proposed changes to furbearer trapping regulations

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I do NOT support ANY trapping on PUBLIC LANDS in New Mexico, other than for legitimate research purposes.

I am in favor of the proposed changes but do not think they go far enough.

I would like to encourage the NM Department of Game and Fish to eliminate trapping altogether on public lands. The vast majority of New Mexicans are supportive of this.

Thank you for your consideration.

Susan K. Larsen, DVM  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Molly Hastings <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 11/19/2019 02:44:25 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Proposed changes

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I support proposed changes restricting trapping in the Cibola National Forest, Sandia Mountains due to dangers to people and pets as well as depletion of wildlife.

**From:** Dudley Hafner [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/13/2019 10:48:11 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Proposed Rule Changes

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Trapping is not my issue. Unnecessary pain and suffering is. How would you feel if your pet was caught in one of these foothold traps? As a volunteer at the Santa Fe Animal Shelter I am aware of the number lost dog we recover each month. Many have been rescued from wilderness areas. Some lost on camping trips. A family pet is just that, part of a family. If trapping is for profit make it painless.

Dudley Hafner

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**From:** Katherine Belzowski [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/20/2019 09:21:27 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Soules, David, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Re: Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to encourage the Commission to ban all traps on New Mexico public lands. Trapping is a cruel endeavor, that leads to a slow painful death for the trapped animals. Unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animal, including endangered species such as the Mexican Gray Wolf. The desire of some people to engage in trapping as a recreational activity is outweighed by its harm, and potential extinction, to these endangered species. Trapping is also a public safety hazard. Every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in amputation and, in two cases, death. Lastly, trapping is a drain on wildlife. For only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

For all these reasons please consider my request to ban all trapping on public land. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,  
Katherine Belzowski

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/08/2019 07:39:12 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Re: Comments on proposed changes

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> On Nov 8, 2019, at 13:54, [REDACTED]:

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> My comment is the Game and Fish Dept. must Ban ALL trapping on public lands and to ban the use of snares for cougars in the entire State of New Mexico. These barbaric practices have no place in our state.

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> If this is not implemented, youll see the public out-cry work toward banning all cougar hunting just like California and perhaps all trapping as well. A ban on public lands trapping and a state-wide ban on snaring is a good compromise- think about it.

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> Sincerely, Gregory Smestad

**From:** Patty Bilbro [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 08:38:05 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stop trapping on public land

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

At a time when respite from the chaos of unchecked human growth and development is getting harder and harder, it is so important to keep our public lands protected. Trapping is an indiscriminate inhuman practice that has no place on our public lands. Our public lands are needed today it?s than ever to keep our ecosystems in balance. Wildlife, humans, and companion animals need to have a place of respite, where they are safe to live in balance with nature, not with the threat of pain and death from being caught in an inhuman trap. Thank you for your consideration.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patty Bilbro

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Patty Bilbro [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 08:29:37 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] stop

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patty Bilbro

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Joanna Berman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/08/2019 09:17:52 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] This activity is the most ignorant and cruel thing that humans still do. STOP IT NOW!!!!

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joanna Berman

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/09/2019 02:53:00 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping and furbearer rule proposed changes 2020-2024

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Sorry, these rules do not go far enough. What is required is a ban.

While I appreciate the introduction of bag limits, the notion that a bag limit can apply to a practice as indiscriminate as trapping is absurd, as is a prohibition against taking a NM Threatened and Endangered Species, or unintentionally taking other specified species. A trap indiscriminately “takes” whatever creature has the misfortune to encounter it. For that reason alone the practice should be banned completely.

There is also the question of the best use of public lands for everyone and everything. One small group that pays a pittance to “take” and does not add to the public coffers for the privilege with commensurate fees or gross receipts tax cannot be given more weight than the much larger public. This is unfair financially and morally reprehensible. Furbearers do not belong to the taker and they are not there for the taking. This giveaway of wild creatures is biologically unsound and a threat to public safety.

We humans have taken enough and inflicted enough pain at this point. Tradition is not a reason to continue a cruel, indiscriminate and unjust practice. We cannot leave the future with no wild creatures in the wild places.

I urge you to dream bigger and ban trapping altogether.

Thank you,

Brenda Folstad  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cynthia Klaila [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 04:36:32 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping and furbearer rule proposed changes

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Today I hiked the Three Guns trail (and beyond) in the Sandias with 2 friends and a sweet dog. Knowing that trapping season has begun we were all 3 anxious about possible hidden traps that could be lurking nearby. Personally I can't bear the thought of any animal getting caught in one of those traps, domestic or otherwise. The entire practice seems like something out of the medieval times that should have gone away long ago. Just like cock & dog fights. Our hunting is a sport, not a necessity to feed our families, and survive. And what kind of sport is trapping? But I also accept that trappers have their reasons, even though I will never understand them. Game & Fish, I strongly stand behind your proposed changes to the Trapper and Furbearer Rule.

Cynthia Klaila  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Alex Poli [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/06/2019 08:07:19 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Ban

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I support the prohibition of traps and snares in the Sandia Mountain Ranger District.

-Alex Poli

**From:** Daniel Poli [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/16/2019 07:42:57 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping changes

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I support the proposed changes to the trapping rules.

Daniel Poli  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/08/2019 07:43:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Comment

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My comment is the Game and Fish Dept. must Ban ALL trapping on public lands and to ban the use of snares for cougars in the entire State of New Mexico. These barbaric practices have no place in our state.

If this is not implemented, youll see the public out-cry work toward banning all cougar hunting just like California and perhaps all trapping as well. A ban on public lands trapping and a state-wide ban on snaring is a good compromise- think about it.

Sincerely, Gregory Smestad

**From:** Dan Getz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/06/2019 03:14:22 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Cc:** Jenifer Getz <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping in NM

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Hello,

I have an [REDACTED] mailing address and my neighborhood backs up to the [REDACTED] hiking trail on the south side of the Sandia Mountains.

I am emailing to let you know, I support the ban of traps and snares in the Sandia Mountain Ranger District. Further I would like to see trapping banned from all NM public lands.

Thank you

Daniel Getz

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/18/2019 11:28:51 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping of animals

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Please defeat trapping of wild animals. Many states have done so as it is horribly cruel. Also too many domestic animals are caught in traps. Thank You Anne Hickman [REDACTED]

**From:** Alejandra Torres [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 11/26/2019 08:39:39 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping on public lands

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Dear commissioners

I am in full support of prohibiting trapping on public land in New Mexico. Wildlife that are being trapped help preserve biodiversity, bobcats and coyotes control rodent populations and should not be killed for sport or for their fur. Trapping is an outdated cruel method that the citizens of New Mexico are against. Trapping harms wildlife, hikers and pets. As a New Mexican I no longer hike on any public lands in our state, it is disturbing that at any time myself or my family could fall victim to a trap on public lands.

Thank you for taking my concerns into consideration and I hope you will listen to citizens of this state and stop trapping on public lands in New Mexico.

Mari

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 03:44:05 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping rule changes

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I would like to include in the new rules a provision that 110 size body grip traps may be used within 100 feet of a occupied dwelling if set totally under water. The traps would have to be legally marked with the owners name and address and would have to be checked every 24 hours.

Jerry Burton

**From:** Lisa Cordova [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/19/2019 06:52:38 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Cordova

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Janine Vinton [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 11/25/2019 01:15:41 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Janine Vinton

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dona LaSchiava [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/24/2019 02:32:25 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Dona LaSchiava

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Janine Vinton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 12/01/2019 01:30:33 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Janine Vinton

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** franbrowne [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/08/2019 06:00:23 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping rules

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I am one of the 70% of New Mexicans who are simply against trapping wild animals. So: No trapping on OUR public lands, please. It is an antiquated practice, out of step with today's more. It is time the Game and Fish Department got up to date.

Sincerely,

Frances Browne

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Gemma DeRagon <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 12/01/2019 07:43:51 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping rules

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Trapping is inhumane and barbaric. This horrible way of capturing innocent creatures, causing them horrible suffering, should be 100% outlawed. We are better than this. Outlaw ALL trapping.

Sincerely,  
Gemma DeRagon

**From:** Joellen Roberts [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 11/19/2019 06:01:09 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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I support prohibiting trapping and snaring in the Sandia Ranger District.

Joellen Roberts

**From:** Maureen Shea <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 11/19/2019 07:53:44 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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This is such an awful, cruel practice all around. It is cruel for the wild animals as well as domestics that find themselves in these traps.  
Please stop this archaic practice for good. We are better than this!!!  
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**From:** Tim Wermer <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 11/18/2019 06:41:39 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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Hi,

I live in Carnuel and I support a ban on trapping in the sandias. I have known too many people who have had their dogs caught in traps.

Thanks,  
Timothy Wermer

**From:** Marjorie Shea <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 11/18/2019 05:35:11 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping

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TWIMC: I beg you to exclude the entire Sandia Ranger District from the archaic practice of trapping. I speak for all the citizens who enjoy our beautiful Sandias and deplore the cruelty that trapping imposes on the diminishing wildlife residing there. I am a life-long hiker, enjoy the wilderness but fear for the safety of my dog during this dreadful season. Please do the right thing!!

Marjorie Shea  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/17/2019 10:00:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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First of all, I am deeply distressed that coyotes have no limit for trappers, that trappers are not "required" to report how many coyotes they kill. This is wrong.

I firmly believe traps should not be on public lands—dogs and young children are at risk (my dog got caught in a legtrap—see the SignPost). It makes no sense that trappers have access to all lands except for a setback from trails when people would have to stick only to the trails to keep pets and children safe). I am opposed to ALL

Trapping—the fact that humans club to death the animals that are caught is beyond the beyond of decency.

How can that be considered okay in THIS day and age?

Sincerely,

Elise Van Arsdale

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**From:** Nathan Brooks [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 12/01/2019 02:27:33 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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We support the prohibition of traps and snares in the Sandia Mountain  
Ranger District.

**From:** Nancy Molisee [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/06/2019 12:07:03 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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I support the prohibition of traps and snares in the Sandia Mountain Ranger District and on all public lands in New Mexico.

Thank you

Nancy Molisee

**From:** jeannovick [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 03:59:45 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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I am writing to you regarding traps and snares in Bernalillo County. I am very much opposed to allowing for any traps or snares in the entire Sandia mountains. I hike daily with dogs who are leashed. But we see a lot of beautiful wildlife. Deer, coyotes and many other innocent animals who do not deserve to be caught in those extremely painful devices. There are many, many hikers in this area and we shouldn't have to fear our animals being caught or worse killed by traps or snares. Please outlaw them. Thank you.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

**From:** Alejandra Torres-Freese [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 12/02/2019 10:18:30 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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Dear commissioners

I am in full support of prohibiting trapping on public land in New Mexico. Wildlife that are being trapped help preserve biodiversity. Bobcats and coyotes control rodent populations and should not be killed for sport or for their fur. Trapping is an outdated cruel method that the citizens of New Mexico are against. Trapping harms wildlife, hikers and pets. As a New Mexican I no longer hike on any public lands in our state, it is disturbing that at any time myself or my family could fall victim to a trap on public lands. Now my family and friends travel to Arizona and Colorado for safe hiking trails. We no longer support hiking or camping on any public lands in NM due to trapping. Its shameful that residents can not safely enjoy our lands.

Thank you for taking my concerns into consideration and I hope you will listen to citizens of this state and stop trapping on public lands in New Mexico.

Alejandra

**From:** Ginger Hindman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 12/02/2019 02:05:46 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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Dear NM Department of Game and Fish,

I am writing as an active person who enjoys the outdoors. I hike, snowshoe, ski, run, backpack and camp in New Mexico. I enjoy being out in nature.

I am asking that you stop trapping in NM on all public lands. At least 2/3 of New Mexicans do not want this archaic activity to be legal in our state. We now have a New Mexico True advertisement, but somehow I have never seen trapping as part of this. WHY? Because it is an activity that sickens anyone other than a cold hearted trapper. We need to join Colorado, Arizona, and other states to end this senseless murder.

If this were put to a vote I feel that it would be banned. Why are we allowing this primitive behavior to go on? Most major companies are no longer selling fur. Why? Because it is something people do not need or want.

Let's do the right thing and ban trapping on all our public lands.

Sincerely  
Ginger Hindman

**From:** Butch Briody [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 05:10:07 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT]

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I like most of your furbearer rule changes except the Director being the only one to decide to set a bag limit on furbearers, Think it ought to be brought before the whole commission and be recommend by chife or head of the Game an Fish Dept.  
Thanks for listening

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/05/2019 02:13:44 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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**From:** Lori Gutenberg [mailto: [REDACTED] ]

**Sent:** Tuesday, November 5, 2019 1:35 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

Please

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/21/2019 09:36:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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**From:** Paul Smith [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 21, 2019 8:26 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF <Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us>; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF <R.Salazar-Henry@state.nm.us>; Bates, Jimmy, DGF <Jimmy.Bates@state.nm.us>; Cramer, Gail, DGF <Gail.Cramer@state.nm.us>; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF <Tirzio.Lopez@state.nm.us>; Soules, David, DGF <David.Soules@state.nm.us>; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF <Jeremy.Vesbach@state.nm.us>; DGF-Furbearer-Rules <DGF-Furbearer-Rules@state.nm.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

Time to stop the outdated and barbaric practice of trapping on public land! Please take the steps to make this happen. Thank you. - Paul J. Smith, [REDACTED] NM

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/12/2019 11:05:55 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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-----Original Message-----

From: Karen Bender [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2019 9:16 AM  
To: Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
Subject: [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

Dear Tirzio Lopez,

Trapping is cruel and should not be used in any circumstance. We need to protect wild animals and domestic animals/people from harm.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Karen Bender

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/14/2019 08:37:43 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2019 9:16 AM  
To: Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
Subject: [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Sincerely,

Karen Bender

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/15/2019 11:06:39 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] New Mexico Game and Fish Department Proposed Trapping Restrictions

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**From:** Pat and Terry Elder [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 14, 2019 9:52 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] New Mexico Game and Fish Department Proposed Trapping Restrictions

Ladies and Gentlemen

I have downloaded and read the proposed changes to the trapping rules and regulations. They seem to be intended to provide trappers reasonable access to public lands while safeguarding the General Public's access for recreational purposes. Balancing access to Public lands is what the Department should strive to do and what it seems to be trying to do.

My feeling is that by far the largest segment of New Mexico citizens using public lands, State and Federal, are using them for recreational purposes not for trapping. While it may be important to provide trappers reasonable access for trapping, it is much more important to provide safe access to recreational users.

Requiring trappers to only use lands not used primarily for recreational purposes is reasonable. Requiring trappers to comply with the rules that identify their traps is paramount to insuring that irresponsible trappers are held to account and do not jeopardize responsible trappers' access to Public Lands. Trappers, who chose to set traps in close proximity to areas used primarily by recreational users, should lose their privilege to trap and should be prosecuted for depriving the General Public of safe access to recreational opportunities on Public lands. A trapper who finds it onerous to avoid endangering individuals and domestic animals using public lands is a trapper who should be deprived of the privilege of trapping on Public Lands.

While "sporting" advocates may complain of over regulation they must realize that forcing a choice between recreational use and trapping invites forbidding trapping all together. A trapper who would not honor the proposed rules and the General Public's ability to use Public Lands endangers the responsible trapper's access to those lands.

G. Patrick Elder  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/19/2019 08:23:52 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 18, 2019 10:31 PM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF <Tirzio.Lopez@state.nm.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

Dear Tirzio Lopez,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Bryer Marnin

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/14/2019 08:37:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 12, 2019 5:38 PM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Max Underwood

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/21/2019 03:08:39 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 21, 2019 2:45 PM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF <Tirzio.Lopez@state.nm.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

Dear Tirzio Lopez,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

sara sexton

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/21/2019 09:38:54 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] Re: Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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**From:** Katherine Belzowski [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 20, 2019 9:21 AM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF <Jimmy.Bates@state.nm.us>; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF <R.Salazar-Henry@state.nm.us>; Prukop, Joanna, DGF <Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us>; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF <Jeremy.Vesbach@state.nm.us>; Cramer, Gail, DGF <Gail.Cramer@state.nm.us>; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF <Tirzio.Lopez@state.nm.us>; DGF-Furbearer-Rules <DGF-Furbearer-Rules@state.nm.us>; Soules, David, DGF <David.Soules@state.nm.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT] Re: Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to encourage the Commission to ban all traps on New Mexico public lands. Trapping is a cruel endeavor, that leads to a slow painful death for the trapped animals. Unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animal, including endangered species such as the Mexican Gray Wolf. The desire of some people to engage in trapping as a recreational activity is outweighed by its harm, and potential extinction, to these endangered species. Trapping is also a public safety hazard. Every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in amputation and, in two cases, death. Lastly, trapping is a drain on wildlife. For only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

For all these reasons please consider my request to ban all trapping on public land. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,  
Katherine Belzowski

[REDACTED]

**From:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/28/2019 01:50:26 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Thank you for voting to stop trapping for sport

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**From:** White Pine <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 28, 2019 1:48 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Thank you for voting to stop trapping for sport

I appreciate your vote against sport trapping and I hope you will continue to vote in favor of abolishing trapping.

I'm not a resident of New Mexico but live close to the the border in Arizona. I've spent alot of time in New Mexico, camping and enjoying your wild lands. My late husband worked as a park ranger in Arizona for 30 years, we married in Taos 30 years ago this past October.

Trapping poses a danger to protected species, family pets and even people like myself who enjoy wandering the forest off trail. I find it abhorrent to kill for sport, I know that is not every ones perspective but it is very different than hunting with intent to consume what you have killed.

I hope you will continue restricting trapping.

Thank you for your vote and for your time,  
Paula Clark

**From:** Bickford, Tristanna, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/04/2019 04:26:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] trapping

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See below

**Tristanna Bickford**

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**From:** Mary Hunsicker <[REDACTED]>  
**Date:** Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at 2:21 PM  
**To:** "Bickford, Tristanna, DGF" <Tristanna.Bickford@state.nm.us>  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping

Greetings, I'm writing to voice my objection to trapping in general. It is impossible to discriminate between animals that get caught in traps, witness how many dogs have gotten trapped while out with owners. It is barbaric, takes no skill and is inhumane. How can anyone gauge the suffering of animals caught waiting to die or get killed when the trap's owner finally does show up. It does nothing to promote New Mexico's attractions, just puts us at the top of yet another list of things that are shameful. Doesn't our law against cruelty to animals cover this?

Respectfully,  
Mary Ellen Hunsicker

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/06/2019 07:13:16 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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-----Original Message-----

From: Kay [mailto:████████████████████]

Sent: Tuesday, November 5, 2019 3:26 PM

To: Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

Subject: [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

PLEASE ban traps from all New Mexico public lands. What a cruel way to die, and especially when an unintended creature or pet is caught. Please stop this inhumane practice. Thank you.

Kayce Leopold

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**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/21/2019 03:08:54 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** FW: Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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**From:** Lee Sonne [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Thursday, November 21, 2019 2:51 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF <Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us>; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF <R.Salazar-Henry@state.nm.us>; Bates, Jimmy, DGF <Jimmy.Bates@state.nm.us>; Cramer, Gail, DGF <Gail.Cramer@state.nm.us>; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF <Tirzio.Lopez@state.nm.us>; Soules, David, DGF <David.Soules@state.nm.us>; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF <Jeremy.Vesbach@state.nm.us>; DGF-Furbearer-Rules <DGF-Furbearer-Rules@state.nm.us>

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

Living in Catron County, I am always very worried when I hike with my dog that she will get caught in a trap. There is no reasonable defense for trapping wild animals to sell their skins especially when so many of what is caught is not worth anything for their skins. And furthermore, the trappers I know simply like to be out in the forest and consider it a game when they occasionally trap something they can sell.

Trapping is inhumane, it is not necessary and the havoc it causes for non-wanted animals is terrible. Please, please vote to ban trapping in New Mexico.

Thanks you.

Lee Sonne,

[REDACTED] County resident

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/18/2019 10:42:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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From: Bill Dobbeck [REDACTED] >  
Date: 11/17/19 9:29 PM (GMT-07:00)  
To: "Prukop, Joanna, DGF" <Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us>, "Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF" <R.Salazar-Henry@state.nm.us>, "Bates, Jimmy, DGF" <Jimmy.Bates@state.nm.us>, "Cramer, Gail, DGF" <Gail.Cramer@state.nm.us>, "Lopez, Tirzio, DGF" <Tirzio.Lopez@state.nm.us>, "Soules, David, DGF" <David.Soules@state.nm.us>, "Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF" <Jeremy.Vesbach@state.nm.us>, DGF-Furbearer-Rules <DGF-Furbearer-Rules@state.nm.us>  
Subject: [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

Dear Sir. It's 2019, almost 2020. In my opinion, trapping has outlived its place in the modern world. NM could be seen as a smart state that is starting to end some the old, outdated and negative views and go forward towards being a state that attracts Spaceports, World class Science Labs and artists from around the world - not a state that still allows trapping: a relic from the 17 and 1800s like the horse and buggys, steam engines and slavery to name a few. Please let this relic of the past centuries disappear forever. Sincerely, Bill Dobbeck

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/15/2019 06:47:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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From: Philip Milstein <[REDACTED]>

Date: 11/15/19 6:16 PM (GMT-07:00)

To: "Prukop, Joanna, DGF" <Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us>, "Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF" <R.Salazar-Henry@state.nm.us>, "Bates, Jimmy, DGF" <Jimmy.Bates@state.nm.us>, "Cramer, Gail, DGF" <Gail.Cramer@state.nm.us>, "Lopez, Tirzio, DGF" <Tirzio.Lopez@state.nm.us>, "Soules, David, DGF" <David.Soules@state.nm.us>, "Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF" <Jeremy.Vesbach@state.nm.us>, DGF-Furbearer-Rules <DGF-Furbearer-Rules@state.nm.us>  
Subject: [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

Trapping animals, whether for meat or fur, is cruel and indiscriminate. New Mexico must put a stop to such actions.

Please ban all trapping on public lands. In addition, such bans must be vigorously reinforced.

Bans should take place as soon as possible!

Sincerely,

Karen Milstein

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/22/2019 06:19:35 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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From: Paula Kology <[REDACTED]>

Date: 11/21/19 3:56 PM (GMT-07:00)

To: "Prukop, Joanna, DGF" <Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us>, "Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF" <R.Salazar-Henry@state.nm.us>, "Bates, Jimmy, DGF" <Jimmy.Bates@state.nm.us>, "Cramer, Gail, DGF" <Gail.Cramer@state.nm.us>, "Lopez, Tirzio, DGF" <Tirzio.Lopez@state.nm.us>, "Soules, David, DGF" <David.Soules@state.nm.us>, "Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF" <Jeremy.Vesbach@state.nm.us>, DGF-Furbearer-Rules <DGF-Furbearer-Rules@state.nm.us>

Subject: [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

Please ban trapping. It's inhumane! It sickens me to think that some animals chew their leg off to free themselves. The way we treat animals says a lot about us. Please do the right thing.

Paula Kology  
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/18/2019 10:41:42 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: "Jonathan Woodside" [REDACTED]  
Date: 11/15/19 8:56 PM (GMT-07:00)  
To: "Lopez, Tirzio, DGF" <Tirzio.Lopez@state.nm.us>  
Subject: [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

Dear Tirzio Lopez,

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Woodside  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/18/2019 10:42:02 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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From: Paula Atkinson <[REDACTED]>  
Date: 11/17/19 5:55 PM (GMT-07:00)  
To: "Lopez, Tirzio, DGF" <Tirzio.Lopez@state.nm.us>  
Subject: [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

Dear Tirzio Lopez,

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It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,  
Paula Atkinson

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/20/2019 08:44:12 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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From: Virginia Knapp [REDACTED]  
Date: 11/18/19 8:39 AM (GMT-07:00)  
To: "Lopez, Tirzio, DGF" <Tirzio.Lopez@state.nm.us>  
Subject: [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
Virginia Knapp

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Sent time:** 11/15/2019 06:47:25 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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From: sara sexton [REDACTED]  
Date: 11/15/19 3:01 PM (GMT-07:00)  
To: "Lopez, Tirzio, DGF" <Tirzio.Lopez@state.nm.us>  
Subject: [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
sara sexton

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**From:** Domain postMaster address <postmaster@state.nm.us>  
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**From:** David Tichnell [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:23:46 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Against Furbearers Trapping

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DGF:

First off, thank you for your efforts in general in trying to work respectfully within an increasingly complicated and challenging realm given all the party interests and environmental pressures.

I want to communicate my desire to see furbearer trapping outlawed completely. It is cruel and indiscriminate. It's time is way past over. We are better than this. Trapping in this manner feels like it is cheating and lazy.

Please, with so many other issues to consider and to find a middle ground on – THIS is NOT one of them, no middle ground. Please just ban it for once and for all.

Thank you.

[REDACTED]



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**From:** Renee Sandoval [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:48:11 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Animal Trapping in our state of New Mexico

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Please end the barbaric practice of legalized trapping of animals. Surely, there are other humane ways to catch and kill nuisance animals without harming innocent ones, including pets that inadvertently become trapped.

Our state has banned mass coyote killing, which was a step towards sanity, and ending trapping will show that we are serious about humanely dealing with animals in our state. My family and I keep a close eye on

current events in our state, and we will be closely watching the governors new game commission as it votes on new rules.

Please do the right thing and vote to make trapping illegal in our state.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Renee Sandoval and family

**From:** Kovacs Erickson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:24:25 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Animal Trapping

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We feel the use of traps and snares has no place on New Mexico public lands. Use of these only benefits a few greedy people, and causes environmental, economic and ethical problems for everyone else. The results of traps are: terrible pain to any animal (wild or domestic) snared in them; indiscriminate killing or maiming of animals that visitors come from all over the country (and in some cases the world) to see; and they are just plain cruel.

Thank you for taking our concerns into consideration when you vote on the new rules concerning this important issue.

Sharon Erickson and Tony Kovacs  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Melody Hobbins [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 01:20:21 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] BAN TRAPPING

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New Mexico must END the cruel and inhumane practice of trapping which threatens our wildlife AND unsuspecting domestic animals. People have systematically drastically reduced our wildlife habitat. These creatures are important to our ecosystem and should NOT be subjected to such sneaky cruelty. BAN it NOW!

Sincerely,  
Dr. MJ Hobbins  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** m s [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 03:56:40 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] BAN TRAPPING

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Trapping is in humane.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** mi mc [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 03:53:59 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban trappings

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How can protected animals be protected, if there is unlimited trapping? Common sense tells me that these trappers are trapping everything and anything! Stupid and ridiculous to continue these barbaric ways.

Mike Mccutcheon

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** paulaalex.padilla [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 08:54:11 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comments on trapping

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We do not support the use of traps and snares. Please vote no to their use they are inhumane.  
Alex R. Padilla and Paula Delap-Padilla  
[REDACTED]

Sent from my Sprint Phone.

**From:** Phyllis Peterson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:25:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] End trapping

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DGF

It is hard to believe that this archaic law is still on the books in this backwoods state. It is absolutely unconscionable that this backward thinking can still hold sway in the twenty-first century. Let us gain our sanity and remove this law. It far outlasts its place in our law codes. The untold terror and pain it causes animals, including our own pets, strips any useful intent it might mean.

And by the way, I am a lifelong citizen of this state.

Phyllis C Peterson

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Larry Hamner [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 02:19:05 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Foot traps

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Dear Commission, It is time to stop inhumane foot traps. This is 2019 not 1890. The trapper does not see the animal he just kills what ever steps in the trap. I don't believe he cares either, just another animal to the trapper.

Sincerely,Larry Hamner

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**From:** ggh Hannigan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 08:13:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] I oppose trapping

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This practice is cruel and basically uncontrollable. Trappers are not identifiable and place traps where they want, despite guidelines. New Mexico should not allow such a barbaric practice that results in unnecessary suffering

Thank you for considering a change for the better

Gale Hannigan

New Mexico resident

Gale G Hannigan

**From:** Judy Crane [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:33:14 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Message to Game & Fish

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I, along with a lot of other people, oppose trapping. Don't know why in this year, 2019, we are still begging officials to put an end to this cruelty. You wouldn't like to have a body part caught in a trap, and neither do other sentient beings.

Please do the right thing and end trapping on NM lands.

J.

**From:** Bob Deaver [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 02:34:06 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] New Mexico's trapping rules

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Dear Dept of Fish and Game Commission,

Please ban the use of traps and snares. This is a barbaric practice that causes extreme suffering to domestic and wild animals. This is an inhumane approach that is indiscriminate in its killing. This is from a time gone by and we should act like an enlightened society. Polls tell us that 69% of New Mexico voters oppose traps and snares, so please ban these tools of torture.

Economically, this type of hunting offers nothing to the state. The license fee is minimal and no GRT is paid.

As far as sportsmanship, this is not really hunting. There is nothing strategic or challenging about this.

I love this state and am encouraged when progress is made in the realm of animal welfare. I was very happy to see coyote killing contests come to an end. I have been an active animal shelter volunteer and I regularly camp and hike on our public lands. I proudly serve our defense industry at Kirtland AFB. Please make this wonderful state even better by putting an end to disgusting practices that cause suffering to our pets and wildlife.

Respectfully,

Bob Deaver  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Julie Wilson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 08:47:25 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] No trapping

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Please do not allow fur trapping to continue in the state of New Mexico. It is very inhumane and we should not be allowed to treat animals like that for any reason, and for a purely human benefit for their fur, is absolutely not acceptable and a completely astonishing thought process. We would not allow anyone to treat a domesticated animal this way, and Roxys Law exists for this particular reason. So why is it ok to do this to mother natures wild animals???

Fur trapping is not humane and it is time for us to move forward with progressing animal rights for the long term health and safety for the majority of the planets inhabitants.

Make my voice count!!!

Julie Wilson

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Susan Fischer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 01:37:42 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Opinion on New Mexico trapping rules

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I oppose allowing the use of traps and snares in New Mexico. These practices are cruel and barbaric, put our citizens and pets at risk of terrible injury, provide no benefits to our State, and are environmentally harmful. I support Trap Free New Mexico.

**From:** Sara Otto-Diniz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 03:09:33 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Opposing trapping

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Dear madams/sirs:

Please open your hearts to the pain inflicted on innocent animals through the use of traps. Why do we even allow trapping in the first place? Traps are blind and can kill and maim protected fur bearing species, pets, endangered animals and even humans!

Please record my voice, along with at least 69% of New Mexico voters, as strongly opposed to this inhumane practice.

Thank you,

Sara Otto-Diniz (registered voter)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** john f schweitzer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 10:19:14 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Overdue for a Trap Free State

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How bout getting into the current time zone and get rid of laws that support trapping. NOW. The majority of NM population is against this

old, dated, sick, practice. Current trapping laws are supported primarily by ranchers and farmers who are too cheap to protect their herds by using

protection dogs and other methods. They are setting traps on public land, a practice which the majority of public land owners" DO NOT WANT!

Time for the Department of Game and Fish to pull their collective heads out and start listening to the people. Stop trapping NOW!

John Schweitzer - taxpaying citizen

**From:** Katherine Norman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:59:46 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Katherine Norman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dawn Foster [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 05:48:16 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I am an avid outdoors woman who often uses public land to recreate. It seems only natural, that NM, with it's focus on outdoor recreation as an economic driver, should be trying to sustain it's wildlife populations for all, rather than for a minority.

As such, I am requesting that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Dawn Foster

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Lisa Goldman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 07:10:24 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Lisa Goldman

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Brigitte Coloos [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 07:38:21 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Brigitte Coloos

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Edmund McWilliams [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 08:03:10 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I live in a small plot of land surrounded on two sides by national forest. I chose this NM location because of my love for wilderness and its inhabitants. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Edmund McWilliams

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Pat Buls [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 08:33:15 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Pat Buls

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Cassandra Gaines [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 08:44:10 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Cassandra Gaines

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** John And Carolyn Wilson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:35:51 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

Just "because we have always done it this way" is not a good basis for making a decision about resources that we all share.

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Sincerely,

John And Carolyn Wilson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Sean Corbin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:42:21 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Sean Corbin

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Cloud King <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:32:07 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

Trapping is inhumane and can't predict what will step into the trap. Even a human child can be caught and killed. These animals deserve better than they are getting from humans. Poison is reprehensible, unnecessary, and can kill anything that gets into it. It also makes any animals that eat it unfit to be eaten themselves, which is the only reason one should ever be killed in the first place.

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Sincerely,

Cloud King

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Luciano Graniello [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:53:34 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Luciano Graniello

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Sudeshna Ghosh [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 10:14:16 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Sudeshna Ghosh

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Linda Bailly [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 10:19:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Linda Bailly

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Chad Hairston [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:11:07 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Chad Hairston

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** David Aldridge [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:18:43 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

David Aldridge

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Joyce Leavitt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:32:22 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Joyce Leavitt

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** William Crafts [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:29:04 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

William Crafts

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Val Talento [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:31:10 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Val Talento

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Dr.Malcolm Macapherson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:35:29 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

Im a scientist living in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Since retiring, Ive become interested in ecology and the return of some of our native ecosystems to reasonable natural function.

I am against trapping.

When I was a kid in high school in Connecticut, I ran a trap line for several years to earn money. I trapped muskrats, but one day I caught a beaver. It was alive. Beavers were protected, so I ran home (about ½ a mile), got 2 heavy pliers, ran back and set the beaver free. So, I learned the hard way that trapping and snaring are extremely inhumane practices. I am ashamed of my high school trapping.

I now believe that animal trapping is unethical and immoral.

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Sincerely,

Dr. Malcolm Macapherson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Elisabeth Bechmann [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 01:09:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Elisabeth Bechmann

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Thomas Talbot <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:51:31 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I seem to find myself with heavy time restraints, so I have realized I must utilize a message already written. Although I'm only able to write an introductory paragraph, I agree one hundred percent with what is stated below, and ask that the words be read and taken as if I'd written all of it myself.

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Sincerely,

Thomas Talbot

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Annaleah Brown [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 01:27:51 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Annaleah Brown

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Patricia Callaway [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 03:13:57 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Patricia Callaway

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Katherine Blagden [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 03:14:34 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Katherine Blagden  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lem Powers [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 03:16:25 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Lem Powers

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Kate Kenner [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 03:28:39 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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-----Traps should never be used for any animal. The pain and suffering they feel is no less than any human would feel. to think otherwise is cruel, human centric, and entitled.. Just because it may be legal to use them does not mean it is right.-----

Sincerely,

Kate Kenner

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Alan Carson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 01:10:52 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Alan Carson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Michael Crews [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 03:30:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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I urgently request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. Children are also a risk for injury. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support. Bring New Mexico into the 21st Century!

Sincerely,

Michael Crews

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Elke Eggers [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 04:03:44 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Elke Eggers

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Clay Woody [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 04:40:45 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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MY PERSONAL MESSAGE: It's way past time to stop treating the other animals of the planet so cruelly. Some people, it seems, will not be satisfied until every wild species of animal and plant is driven to extinction. Why? Usually because of inconvenience and money. A sad testimony to mankind.

Sincerely,

Clay Woody

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Hodge Jones [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 04:53:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Hodge Jones

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Milstein [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 05:29:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Karen Milstein

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Charlotte Spencer <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 06:34:41 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Charlotte Spencer

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Mickey V.Brussel [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 04:19:05 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Mickey V. Brussel

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** LánéSaán Moonwalker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 08:31:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

LánéSaán Moonwalker

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**From:** Raleigh Koritz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:02:07 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Raleigh Koritz

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Nan Sauer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:36:25 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Nan Sauer

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Antoinette Gonzales [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:45:20 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Antoinette Gonzales

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**From:** theo de wert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 10:57:59 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

theo de wert

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**From:** Caroline Sévilla [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 04:52:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Caroline Sévilla

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Steven Rosenberg [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 05:38:38 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Steven Rosenberg

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Dylan Shaw [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 05:46:25 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Dylan Shaw

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Stacy Sabol [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:15:21 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Stacy Sabol

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Rebecca Procter [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 04:38:20 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please, NO More Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Rebecca Procter

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** John Rogers [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:37:21 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Proposed changes to furbearer trapping rules

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Good Day,

I am writing to comment on the proposed changes to the Trapping and Furbearer Rule 2020-2024.

I see some positives in the proposed changes, including:

- prohibiting traps in high-use recreational areas
- requiring set-backs from trailheads, picnic areas, and campgrounds
- requiring a trapper's identification number to be attached to each trap
- required trapper training

However, I don't think the proposed rules go far enough.

- Does the \$20 fee for a trapping license cover the cost to the Department of Game and Fish to enforce current and proposed regulations? There were 2,037 licensed trappers in New Mexico in 2017-18, generating \$40,740 in license fees. For the sake of argument, let's assume this covers the salary and benefits of one FTE game warden. Can one FTE enforce regulations over the entire state, when the number of traps a trapper can set has no limit? Why not raise the license fee to make it more in line with actual costs to the department?
- There is no "bag limit" on the number of animals that can be harvested. Does this makes sense? A trapper, unlike a hunter, has little to no control over what steps into his or her trap. This is a little like allowing a person with a shotgun to shoot every bird he sees until he hits the species he wants. If there are limits on the number of fish or birds that can be harvested by fishermen or hunters, why isn't there a limit on the number of animals that a trapper can trap?
- Trappers are allowed to sell the pelts of animals they kill without paying gross-receipts taxes. As the saying goes, "Nice work if you can get it." Why have trappers in New Mexico been granted exemption from taxation?
- Trappers are not penalized for trapping and killing endangered or protected species. On one level, this makes sense because a trapper has no control over what steps into a trap. On another level, this gets to the crux of what so many New Mexicans dislike about trapping in general. Trapping is inherently cruel and indiscriminate. An animal caught in a trap, whether an intended species or a family pet, suffers a long and painful death. Trapping is not a "sport" in the same sense that fishing or hunting is a sport. Most New Mexicans recognize it for what it is: indiscriminate, cruel, and anachronistic.

I applaud the Department of Game and Fish for the proposed changes to the Trapping and Furbearer rule. These are "baby steps" in the right direction. I also recognize that DGF serves many constituencies. That means you work for me, too, and the majority of New Mexicans who consider trapping to be a barbaric, legacy activity from a pioneer past.

Thank you for hearing me out.

John Rogers  
[REDACTED]

**From:** L/F Kidder/Moras [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 01:28:11 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] STOP TRAPPING NOW

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Dear commissioners,  
A trap indiscriminately catches any animal that steps into it.  
Trapping is not "fair" chase hunting. It is barbaric & cruel.  
STOP trapping of "fur bearers" NOW.  
Thank you for your time.  
Lynda Kidder & Frederic Moras

**From:** Paul Karas <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:00:22 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Time to Ban Indiscriminate Trapping in NM

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It's time to end the trapping of animals for fur in NM. The barbaric practice is cruel and often kills or injures unintended wildlife or pets.

Many years ago my large lab/hound mix was caught in a trap while we were hiking in the Sandia foothills. Luckily, the small trap inflicted only minor injuries, but it was a horrible experience to have to rescue my pet from the steel jaws of the trap. I fear that my grandchild or other innocent could have a similar experience on NM public lands.

Paul Karas

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Sent from Xfinity Connect Application

**From:** Roland Penttila [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 07:48:04 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping in New Mexico

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Department of Game and Fish (Furbearer Rules):

I'm writing to state that I am vigorously opposed to trapping in New Mexico. This practice is barbaric and cruel. The practice belongs in the 1700s and has no place today. It is an indiscriminate method to harm and kill any animal that mistakenly finds a trap. The practice allows that sometimes domestic animals are caught and injured or killed without any recourse to the trapper. Most New Mexicans opposed trapping. It is only supported by those who profit from the practice and only pay \$20 for a license to trap for unlimited bag limits.

Please vote to severely restrict or completely ban the practice of trapping in our state.

Sincerely,

Roland Penttila  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Inge Bjorkman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 02:59:25 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Inge Bjorkman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Liz Scollard [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:16:32 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Public land should allow me to walk my pet safely without worrying if he may not come back alive. I am begging you to please take a look at what this is doing and how much pain it continues to cause.

Commissioner Vesbach, please know you can make this change. Make it possible for us to walk our beloved pets in a safe public land. Thank you for your time.

Liz Scollard

Sincerely,  
Liz Scollard

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Melissa Amarello [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 10:30:13 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. The proposed changes are too weak to make any meaningful difference to the safety of our public lands and the integrity of our ecosystem—in fact, some proposals could actually make trapping worse. Here are just a few reasons why we need SIGNIFICANT changes to state trapping rules—ones that will stop profit-driven private trapping on public lands, and keep our communities safe.

Traps are cruel: Trapped animals are subject to prolonged pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, predation, dislocation, self-amputation, and emotional trauma. It is not uncommon for leghold traps to be found with only a paw/foot left in them. The survival of these trap victims is unlikely.

Traps are indiscriminate: Traps frequently maim and kill non-target animals and there are many such instances across the state, including endangered Mexican gray wolves, federally protected owls, and mountain lions.

Traps are a public safety hazard: Along with non-target wildlife, leghold traps have injured and killed domestic dogs or cats in nearly every county in New Mexico. Last year at least two dogs (Roxy and Ranger) were killed by traps in the state and a handful more were injured (Kekoa was among multiple dogs that lost a leg). Data from reported incidents on public lands show that traps threaten all New Mexicans and their companion animals, not just those who recreate near populated areas of the state.

Trapping is a drain on native wildlife populations for private profit: For only \$20 (\$9 for juniors), a trapper is given free rein to wreak havoc on native furbearer populations. There are no bag limits for furbearers in New Mexico and any trapper can kill as many animals as he wants—selling the pelts, depending on the species, for up to several hundred dollars each, profiting off the wildlife held in trust for all New Mexicans.

Sincerely,  
Melissa Amarello

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sandra Materi [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 10:57:13 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

Trapping is unbelievably cruel. Please stop all trapping and show the world you are a leader in compassion.

Sincerely,  
Sandra Materi

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rin Porter [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 10:57:36 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As an American, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps are cruel, subjecting trapped animals to pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, self-amputation, emotional trauma, and ultimately death. Any of these conditions observed in a "Pet" cat, dog, or horse would lead to criminal prosecution by local law enforcement authorities. So why are these conditions considered OK for wildlife? It's wrong.

Traps are indiscriminate. They frequently aim and kill non-target animals in New Mexico, as well as in Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, and other states that allow trapping.

Traps are a public safety hazard. Leghold traps have injured and killed domestic dogs and cats in nearly every county in New Mexico.

Traps drain native wildlife populations for private profit. Wildlife belong to ALL of us, not just to trappers and hunters. Trappers can kill as many animals as they want. This is a very poor use of resources that belong to ALL of us.

Sincerely,  
Rin Porter

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** GABRIELA VARGAS [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:22:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
GABRIELA VARGAS

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** melody mccormick [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:39:16 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. As a citizen who hikes and has family members who explore these lands which belong to all of us I am expressing my opposition to these indiscriminate snares and traps. As a citizen with pets and who rides the public lands I am writing to oppose these snares and traps.

If you have experienced losing a pet to one of these hidden and often illegally planted snares and/or traps you will know they are diabolical and cruel. If you have seen the mummified remains of native animals which have been caught and then discarded because the trappers did not check the traps you would feel the disgust in which these people and these trap/snares are held. If you have ridden and had a horse inadvertently trigger one of the trap/snares and either become spooked, tangled, or injured on our public lands you would see these snare/traps should be outlawed. In this day and age we should be protecting our wildlife and our domestic animals. There is little excuse for the accidental killing of protected animals in order to make some extra money. We are no longer a society which lives by eating or surviving on trapped and snared animals. Trapping/snaring is a cruel and inhumane way for small private profit at our expense.

This needs to be outlawed immediately and stringent punishments impose on the perpetrators.

This is a disgusting and inhumane as well as indiscriminate and cowardly distance killing. No traps of any size, no snares, no more of this cruelty in our state. These killing machines are dangerous to wildlife, to domestic animals, and to humans even in the most remote areas.

Meloy McCormick

Sincerely,  
melody mccormick

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Virginia Bell-Pringle [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:14:34 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

I am concerned for all of the animals for which these traps are not intended. I am concerned about my dog getting loose on a hike and being killed or maimed. These methods do not discriminate.

I just spent my life savings to move to Santa Fe to enjoy nature and public lands. These traps ruin any sense of peace and calm as they are barbaric killing devices and now I have to worry about myself or my pet being injured.

The majority of people in the state would benefit from banning these traps.

Sincerely,  
Dr. Virginia Bell-Pringle

Sincerely,  
Virginia Bell-Pringle  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ivan Fuentes [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:41:50 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Ivan Fuentes

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marcia Kellam [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:56:33 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my absolute opposition to unethical, cruel traps and snares on our public lands. Animals have feelings and nerve endings, too! Imagine yourself or someone you love becoming ensnared in one of these disgusting devices--the pain, the shock, the fear and panic, and the inability to escape, dying a slow and painful death. It's HIGH time to treat our wild (and domestic) animals as sentient beings. Those who support this kind of unnecessary cruelty are guilty of unconscionable neglect and murder.

Sincerely,  
Marcia Kellam

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Budd Berkman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 12:58:40 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

Charges dropped on that poor dog's strangulation death by an unlawful trapper? The trapping business is ridiculous in this state.

New Mexico acts like a 3rd world country when it comes to this issue. We need to ban all traps, snares, and poisons on public land. These lands belong to all of us and we can't take our dogs out for a hike?

Please do what you can to ban this 19th century activity. Our pets and our wildlife are worth much more to us alive than dead.

Thank you,  
Budd Berkman

Sincerely,  
Budd Berkman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jane Carson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 01:17:58 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. They are barbaric and keep us in the dark ages. Let's lift the light and say no to trappers.

Sincerely,  
Jane Carson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jackie Johnston [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 02:03:06 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. These traps are cruel and indiscriminate.

Trapping a live animal and leaving him/her for hours to either suffer or die is extraordinarily cruel. I once came upon a dead fox in a trap. The look on that poor animal's face is something I will never forget. The fear that fox endured was beyond horrible.

These traps and snares are also indiscriminate. They trap anything that ventures near it. It can trap animals on the endangered species list or our beloved pets. I have had friends whose dogs have been trapped. Some of them suffered grievous injuries as a result.

The public lands that we all share attract many visitors from within our state and beyond. Tourism is a very lucrative industry for our state. Traveling with dogs is getting more and more popular. Not knowing if your dog is going to be maimed or killed in a trap does not encourage use of public lands by tourists. Neighboring states do not have as many traps lying in wait to trap an unsuspecting animal.

Please ban traps and snares on all public lands to avoid the cruelty for all animals, both wild and domestic. The only people benefitting from current trapping regulations are trappers who pay a minimal fee and sell the pelts for several hundred dollars each.

Let's have New Mexico be known as an animal friendly state.

Sincerely,  
Jackie Johnston

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jane Calvert Love [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 03:03:58 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. When my husband and I hike on public land with our dogs, our experience is diminished by the constant fear that one of us will encounter a leghold trap. Most likely it will be our dog because traps are baited to lure animals. Traps are indiscriminate and unimaginably cruel. Trapping is a very selfish act, allowing one individual to kill the native wildlife that most New Mexicans want to protect and only photograph when we visit their forest homes.

Sincerely,  
Jane Calvert Love

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Maryann Staron [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 04:41:26 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Maryann Staron

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Laurelle Danton DVM [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 01:41:10 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. For 35 years, as a veterinarian, I have treated and tried to save animals caught in devastating, painful leg traps. The trap that killed Roxie, as her owner desperately tried to save her, is the cruelest trap ever invented! One poor dog I treated had TWO legs in a trap, which I was able to treat, and he was able to walk, with difficulty, but alas his two normal legs could not take the stress and strain, and he has to be euthanized! My heart broke for the owner, the dog, and my daughter [who worked for me and helped me, at the tender age of 16], and for myself, because there was nothing else I could do. I would have had to remove one of the legs, and as you can imagine, no dog can walk on one leg! This was a working ranch dog, and he certainly didn't deserve to die in such cruel pain and suffering!  
**PLEASE CHANGE THE LAW AND PREVENT THESE NEEDLESS DEATHS.....EVEN FOR OUR WILDLIFE!**

Sincerely,  
Laurelle Danton DVM  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** James Biernat [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:47:29 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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Be certain that those opposing trapping are required to be front-and-center when the screaming and yelling starts over pets and small children being attacked by coyotes and other predatory animals.

Jim Biernat  
[REDACTED]



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**From:** Ted Bryant [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 10:44:17 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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If anyone would be caught treating a domestic animal with the cruelty we allow to be done to a wild animal they would face serious legal charges. instead it is illegal to interfere with trapping. I think all trapping should be outlawed but at least stop it on public lands.

Theodore Bryant

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Douglas Chinn [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:49:06 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping

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Dear Sir or Madame,

New Mexico has banned cock fighting and dog fighting, two disgusting barbaric activities. Trapping is another sport that is a remnant of nineteenth century thinking.

New Mexico's wildlands are one of the finest things about our state. Look at the current public relations push (New Mexico True) to promote them. Knowing your dog is at risk from trappers, and knowing that the rare wild life you want to see is being eliminated just doesn't fit with attracting tourism. I spend a lot of time in the great outdoors here, and invite friends from all around the US and Europe to come here and visit. Trapping is a black eye on our wonderful state that appalls people when I tell them about it during hikes.

The only one who benefits from trapping is a few individuals who like to wear or sell pelts. I want to see live animals, not Davy Crockett hats. Furbearers and other unintended trapped animals are an important part of the ecosystems they populate, regulating their prey. It is well known how important predators are to properly functioning ecosystems. With all the threats facing wildlife today (loss of habitat, invasive species, climate change), the last thing they need is an extra threat.

It is time to give wildlife a break, and stop thinking about our wild country only in terms of what we can take from it.

It is time to end trapping in New Mexico.

Sincerely,

Doug Chinn

**From:** Betty Tichich [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 06:35:46 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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Please ban trapping on public lands in New Mexico and stop the endless suffering.

Betty Tichich  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Louanne Saylor [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 07:58:54 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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Hello,

I strongly urge you to eliminate all animal trapping. I believe it is very cruel for the intended animal victims, let alone the unintended animal victims.

Louanne Saylor

**From:** Debbie Conger [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:13:20 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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Seriously? Trapping on public lands is still allowed? Yes, I am aware it is.

But it needs to stop.

Debbie Conger  
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Gwen Peterson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 04:43:34 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Traps

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I ask you to please make those traps that injure and maim animals illegal. If we must catch an animal, let it at least be humane! It is horrible to catch an animal (whether it be the type you are after, or some other unsuspecting animal) in a trap that causes the animal untold pain and suffering. There are other more humane ways, so PLEASE outlaw these inhumane traps for the well-being of all our animals (and an occasional unsuspecting person). I will thank you for doing so!

Sincerely,

Gwen Peterson

**From:** Paul Burton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 11:30:20 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Traps

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I would beg you to open your hearts and ban animal traps. No animal (or person who steps in a trap) should have to experience excruciating pain. Let's end this barbaric practice.

Thank you.

Kathy Burton

**From:** Louise [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 01:42:34 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] We oppose all traps and snares!

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I just read in the Albuquerque Journal that the state game commission is proposing new trapping rules.

There should be no rules because there should be no trapping. Traps and snares are indiscriminate and cruel, and kill pets as well "furbearers." Trapping is a business whose time should be past. New Mexico is stuck in the Dark Ages. The legislature should have outlawed them, and we hope they will in the near future.

Protesting trapping,  
Kenneth and Louise Ludwick

**From:** kenneth ulmer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 09:51:35 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT]

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To Game Commission

We are writing to express our concerns regarding animal traps.

Trapping is not fair chase hunting. It is barbaric and cruel.

Hidden traps are dangerous, they indiscriminately catch any animal

that steps into it - whether it be a fawn, endangered grey wolf, cougar cub, livestock, pet dog, or human, and consequently makes that animal suffer

before dying.

Please seriously consider banning all animal traps in New Mexico

Sincerely,

Kenneth Ulmer and Susan Stewart

[REDACTED]

**From:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/19/2019 04:47:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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**From:** [REDACTED]

Sent: Saturday, October 19, 2019 4:40 PM

To: Prukop, Joanna, DGF

Subject: [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

Dear Joanna Prukop,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

MY PERSONAL MESSAGE: It's way past time to stop treating the other animals of the planet so cruelly. Some people, it seems, will not be satisfied until every wild species of animal and plant is driven to extinction. Why? Usually because of inconvenience and money. A sad testimony to mankind.

Sincerely,

Clay Woody

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**From:** Domain postMaster address [REDACTED]  
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**From:** KrisK [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:01:16 PM  
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**Subject:** [EXT] New Mexico Game Commission— No More Traps and Snares

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I am a resident of New Mexico and do NOT approve of traps and snares which cause great harm to wildlife as well as domestic dogs, etc. We must protect innocent animals from cruel and painful injuries and slow deaths. Surely in this day and age, there are improved methods that avoid these torturous devices. Please help keep wild animals free to live and survive in their natural environments without hurting or killing them unnecessarily. Thank you for your time and compassion.

Kris Karsteadt

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Blair Brown [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 12:39:58 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Cc:** SF Reporter, Editor; The Taos News, Editor  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban cruel steel traps NOW

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Dear NM Game Commissioners and Governor Grisham,

I am writing to protest the legality of trapping animals in NM. Why are we still supporting such an out-dated, immoral and barbaric practice in our beautiful state?

There is no longer any justification for condoning such an inhumane practice as steel traps.

The NM Fish and Wildlife Department should immediately take this opportunity to set an example for forward-thinking, conservation reform instead of enabling cruelty to animals.

1. Please ban steel traps.
2. Please use your authority to punish cruelty to animals.
3. Please help restore our dwindling predator populations and foster more healthy biodiversity for future generations.

New Mexico True? Rather than holding true to past ignorance, please create and enforce laws in New Mexico TRUE to environmental ethics of the 21st century.

Yours truly,

Blair Brown

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**From:** Elaine Stachera [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 01:05:37 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban trapping.

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Ladies and Gentlemen of the State of New Mexico Game Commission:

I vehemently oppose any form of trapping on public land (or any land, for that matter).

I understand that rules that govern commercial and recreational trapping is coming under review, and that some of the proposed changes go backwards (e.g., increasing check times for traps and extending trapping seasons).

Why are certain individuals are allowed to kill and make money off of the animals on public lands? Besides the fact that a trap is an extraordinarily cruel device that captures indiscriminately, I spend money in New Mexico going to wild places to see bobcat and fox and birds and other creatures—money that goes to the economy of the areas I visit via hotels, food, and gas. I am far from alone.

How does a trapper know he will not catch a cougar or a porcupine or a hawk? Or an endangered species? What about companion dogs? Clearly, as we have all seen in the news, this happens.

The fact that trapping is still an issue is sad in itself. Trapping has nothing to do with the "Western" way of life, as some like to bellow. It has to do with the fact that capturing any one of Earth's/God's/Higher Power's creatures in a steel-jaw device or snaring it underwater until it is dead is simply, unjustifiably cruel. I can't believe that any Higher Power would think this is a good way for a creature to die.

I know that I, along with the 69% majority of New Mexicans (as noted in the *Albuquerque Journal*) do not think trapping is a good thing. It needs to be stopped.

Respectfully,  
Elaine Stachera Simon  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Puma Roja [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 07:54:54 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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I oppose trapping on public lands for more than one reason.

First, it endangers children and small animals, including pets, that are not the target species. Some trappers have been shown to be irresponsible about where they place the traps, and injure or kill apparently carelessly.

Secondly, it is a use of public lands by a Very small special interest group, in a way not approved, and even abhorred , by us, the public, the landowners.

Third, there seems to be little or no oversight on trappers, nor is it practical, or economical. They do what they want, where they want. it seems. Let them do it on non-public land. At least less harm will be done to our publicly managed game and fur bearers.

Fourth, I have not seen a trap that is not cruel, killing an animal slowly, painfully. This is especially true, since it seems that trappers do Not check their trap lines daily. Why should the public lands provide a space for That? Every survey I have seen says the great majority of the public are appalled at this.

By the way, we are both fisherman, and have hunted.

Sincerely,

Robert and Donna Royer

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**From:** Wendy Keller <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:34:11 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please ban all trapping in New Mexico. A trap cannot distinguish a rabbit from a human from a family pet dog. Stop this dangerous practice. And please ban the use of snares for the same reasons. We must have safe access to all our public lands without the fear of being injured by a trap or snare.

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Denise [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 08:04:49 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please ban all trapping in new Mexico. It is cruel and unnecessary.

Since 70% of New Mexicans support a ban on trapping, why in the world would you allow this to continue?

Stop trapping NOW

Denise Jones

**From:** Robert Southworth [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 06:46:54 AM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please put an end to this reprehensible practice.

Robert Southworth

**From:** Gloria Graeber [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 08:15:31 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please ban these traps! This is a horrible experience for any animal to suffer. I've rescued cats that have lost a limb in these traps that should never have been placed.

Please do the right thing and ban them for good! Please!

*Sent from my MetroPCS 4G LTE Android device*

**From:** JOYCE COUSINO [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:21:16 AM  
**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us <IMCEAMAILTO-Joanna+2EPrukop+40state+2Enm+2Eus@namprd19.prod.outlook.com>; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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To all of you,

Please ban all leg hold traps in New Mexico, it is the meanest, most inhumane way to kill a little animal. Sometimes peoples pets get caught up in them too , I do not understand how you can condone this severe cruelty.

Sincerely,, Joyce Cousino  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lorie C [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 10:23:47 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please ban traps from all public lands. I enjoy hiking with my family -- which includes curious children and dogs. If the kids are exploring, I prefer to have the dogs with them and I would hate for anything happen if one or another came across a trap.

And you know how curious kids are!

Please, do the best you can to make public lands trap-free.

Lorie Christian  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carl Hansen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:35:05 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Commissioner's,

Its time to completely ban the use of Leg Hold traps on all public lands, they cause undue pain and suffering for wild animals, pets and potentially people. There are non lethal ways to deal with nuisance animals.

Massachusetts banned the leg hold trap on all lands back in 1997 and the law still stands, that's 22 years ago.

Thank you for this consideration,

Carl Hansen

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**From:** Thomas Deleo [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 10:48:34 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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I believe animal traps are cruel and inhumane. Please pass a law to ban all traps from all New Mexico public lands. Keep our public lands safe for all animals and people.

Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Rosemarie DeLeo

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**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:29:35 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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We are writing to urge a complete statewide ban on traps in New Mexico. The danger to children, hikers and their dogs is growing exponentially as the state's populations grow and access to our beautiful nature trails and wilderness is increasing. The State is positioning its tourism marketing efforts to promote our natural beauty as a recreational treasure. Their marketing efforts surely do not include a warning that traps set along hiking, biking and walking trails are as able to maim a wild animal as they are a child. Basta! it is time to stop this antiquated cruelty and understand that our natural parks and lands are there for all.

Thank you  
Claudia and Dwight Miller

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**From:** C B [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:45:25 PM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us [REDACTED] Salazar-Henry, Roberta,  
DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please ban traps in New Mexico!

Thank you

**From:** Nancy Stratton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 08:29:29 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to urge you to take much stronger action in connection with trapping in NM. The proposal being considered by the Commission is totally inadequate. I, like over 70 percent of New Mexicans, opposed trapping entirely. It is indescribably cruel, indiscriminate, and a danger to hikers and their dogs like myself. We should no longer tolerate these archaic means of killing, *especially* on our public lands.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. Sincerely, Nancy Stratton.

**From:** Fred Weinhagen [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:52:07 AM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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I am one of those who began opposing trapping in the early nineties. I still believe that the time is long past to abolish this practice. Our wildlife, our pets, hikers, etc. would all benefit.

This is a cruel and unnecessary method of killing. For what purpose?

Please begin to slowly phase out this practice.

Dianne Maughan  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Phyllis Dorough [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:01:09 AM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please, please get these barbaric traps barred from NM Public Lands. Hopefully barred everywhere.

Phyllis Dorough

**From:** Ursula Freer [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:29:47 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please help stop this cruel and inhumane practice!

NM should be an example to all!

Ursula Freer

[www.ursulafreer.com](http://www.ursulafreer.com)

**From:** GILBERT, BARBARA [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:15:25 PM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us <IMCEAMAILTO-Joanna+2EPrukop+40state+2Enm+2Eus@namprd05.prod.outlook.com>; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Commissioners,

I respectfully ask that you protect our public lands and all of the creatures who use the public lands. Traps have no ethical reason to be placed on our public land.

Thank you for your consideration of the public's well-being.

Take care.

Very respectfully,  
Barbara Gilbert  
CNM Physics/Engineering Faculty

**From:** Leah Gibbons [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:29:49 AM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us <IMCEAMAILTO-Joanna+2EPrukop+40state+2Enm+2Eus@namprd02.prod.outlook.com>; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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I hike often on public lands with my dog and my grandchildren. Please protect them from getting caught in one of these inhumane traps. And save our precious wildlife from torturous deaths.

Thank you.

Leah Gibbons

**From:** Deborah Stark [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:25:48 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please ban all traps from our lands. The use of these primitive, cruel devices should be a thing of history. There is no need for them or necessary function in today's world. They are agents of cruelty and suffering for any and all that are caught, including domestic animals. We absolutely should be above the use of this archaic device.

Please make it illegal and ban the use! Help us to step forward into the 21st century with greater compassion and awareness.

Sincerely,  
Deborah Stark

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[www.eulogytheextinctionproject.com](http://www.eulogytheextinctionproject.com)

**From:** joan woodruff [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:16:26 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Greetings. I have a small ranch in the Abo, New Mexico area. Traps left on nearby BLM properties have caused disastrous suffering to both domestic pets (dogs and cats), legal grazing animals and wildlife. In years past a friend lost a calf to a trap. I have had deer dragging bleeding stumps through snow, last year had a cat who dragged himself home with bleeding crushed remainder of his leg. He survived, the vet bill was well over 1000 dollars, and he lost shoulder and leg. Have had neighbors lose dogs who were caught in traps. Ten years ago my neighbors helped me capture an emaciated bob cat who was still dragging the trap. The bob cat had to be killed, it was both emaciated and had gangrene. These are disastrous endings to innocent animals. Please ban these traps. Traps are tools of cruelty. We are better than this.

Joan Leslie Woodruff

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**From:** karen lunt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:52:15 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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A complete ban on trapping is what your citizens want. Why is New Mexico so far behind the other states in ethical legislation?! Please do the right thing. sincerely Karen Lunt

Sent from my iPad

**From:** kathleen matta [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:10:37 AM  
**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us <IMCEAMAILTO-Joanna+2EPrukop+40state+2Enm+2Eus@namprd07.prod.outlook.com>; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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?Public lands belong to the public. That would be me. Trapping is an unsafe activity on "public" lands. Anyone or any animal can

be caught in a trap. UNSAFE!! The majority of New Mexicans oppose trapping on "public" lands. You represent "we the people"

of New Mexico. Please represent the majority regarding trapping! Please support our environment!

## The Troubles with Public Lands Trapping

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Thank you.

Kathleen Matta

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**From:** Leslie Dimmick [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:20:04 AM

**To:** Joanna.Prokop@state.nm.us; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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-257 ? Dear Madams and Sirs:

In a world where human behavior has contributed to rapid decline (near 50% since 1970) of wildlife, birds, reptiles, amphibians, and insects do we really need to support another cruel method of slaughter inherent in their extinction? The vast majority of your constituents cherish these living creatures, please know our hearts and minds and do not pander to the few vociferous relics whose idea of fun is indiscriminate torture and prolonged death. Ban trapping. It is the right thing to do.

Respectfully,

Leslie R. Dimmick  
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**From:** Stephanie Kaylan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:28:00 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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I am writing to you all once again because there was a problem with the original link.

You cannot fault me for being passionate.

Waaaay too many innocent ones (including adults, CHILDREN & ALL animals) are caught by these traps.

It MUST stop & HAS TO STOP -----NOW! Period.

I am so sick & tired of humans turning their hearts & heads away from the situations, sweeping them under the rug.

Well,.....there are too many "lumps under the rugs" now.

We can all see this.

The "lumps" cannot be hidden anymore.

Why don't you all show this state, this country & the WORLD that New Mexico CAN & DO make & create positive actions that can help us ALL for the better!

Thank you

SGMKJ

**From:** Isolde Wait [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:20:18 AM

**To:** [REDACTED]; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Good morning!

I am asking the NM Game Commission to ban trapping on ALL of our public lands. You must know that traps are cruel, inhumane and indiscriminate. I am asking the Commission to not give in to a minority of

people and special interest groups even though I am told that you get paid by using trapping fees. I believe you could do better by asking the legislature to fund your agency.

People in America do NOT wear fur and this country does not need to export fur but be a frontrunner against animal cruelty.

Ban ALL traps on OUR public lands! Thank you. Taxpayer Isolde Wait.

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Sarah Grant [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:47:39 AM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Dear Game Commissioners,

I vote and I oppose public lands animal trapping. If animals are trapped and not found quickly, they suffer a painful, long death. I would not knowingly wish that on anyone. Would you?

Thanks for considering the advantages of a ban on animal trapping. It will serve us and our animal friends.

Thank-you.

Sarah Grant  
New Mexico Farmers Marketing Association

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**From:** Diana Ristenpart [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:07:24 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please ban trapping. This is an outrage!

Thank you,  
Diana Ristenpart

**From:** Sheila ter Bruggen [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:49:33 AM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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I spend a lot of time hiking New Mexico's wilderness and other public lands areas with my dogs. I am really tired of having to fear them or me stepping into a trap and losing a limb. For what? Tradition? Please stop this nightmare for 99% of the population, only to appease the 1% that is politically connected. We are sick of our dogs dying!!!

How long until a child loses a leg?

Is that what you're all waiting for?

Sheila ter Bruggen  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Diane Stayner [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 12:14:32 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Hello,

Please do what you can to decrease trapping. It is a horrible way to die just fir being the way God made you.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

Diane Stayner RN

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**From:** Yamuna Landsberg [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 12:14:57 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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- To Whom It May Concern
- Please consider the following points
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Thank You for your time

Yamuna Landsberg

**From:** pamela morgan [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 12:25:58 PM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us <IMCEAMAILTO-Joanna+2EPrukop+40state+2Enm+2Eus@namprd18.prod.outlook.com>; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please make our public lands safe for our dogs. Please have stricter rules.

thank you,  
Pamela Morgan

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 01:15:21 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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As a person who uses the outdoors and a business owner of mobile grooming company I have seen first hand what these barbaric traps do to our precious

wildlife and our irreplaceable pets. will you only take action after a child is caught in one don't wait til then.

As elected officials you need to ban these traps the majority should rule these barbaric practices are outdated and no longer necessary just

because our ancestors did dose not mean it is in any way a religious right or a cultural right. JUST BECAUSE WE CAN DOES NOT MEAN WE SHOULD !!

PLEASE BAN TRAPPING SAVE OUR WILDLIFE AND MAKE OUR LANDS SAFE TO USE FOR EVERYONE.

**From:** Susan Busch [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 01:33:44 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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Please outlaw all trapping on public lands. I was raised in New Mexico and have been hiking in the forests my whole life. Now my children and grandchildren continue to hike the forests. We dont always stay on the trails but wander in the woods. It scares me to think that trapping is allowed to exist. Im not against hunting but trapping is randomly dangerous. No control over who is affected.

Please stop this from happening. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Susan Busch

**From:** Jon Klingel [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 01:35:52 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Joanna and Roberta,

Hope this finds you well.

In my opinion, it is long past time to get traps and snares off public land in New Mexico. The State has changed a lot during the past many decades, in terms of the number of people using public lands and the way they use it. Trapping on public land is no longer compatible.

Thanks,

Jon Klingel

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**From:** Elsie Sandford [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:27:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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I read about the set of changes you are considering for trapping in New Mexico. I see that you don't understand the wishes of New Mexicans. The minor changes you are entertaining are inadequate to protect our public lands, trails, roads and places where the we New Mexicans frequently access for daily use or pleasure.

We don't want or need trapping on public lands, trails or roads. There should be no year-round seasons for any animals in New Mexico, and where traps are allowed, there must be frequent, at least daily, checking of the traps. If trappers can't abide these reasonable limits, they should not be allowed to trap at all.

All New Mexicans have a right to enjoy our public access places free of the danger of traps to our children, our pets, and ourselves. These rights should always come before any 'right' of those that intend to trap animals for personal gain. Public lands are for public use. Trapping is not in any way in the interest of the public.

Thank you for your reconsideration on these issues.

Sincerely,

Elsie Sandford

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**From:** Sarah Bienvenu [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:05:27 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Dear Commisioners and those concerned,

A few years ago I was hiking in Cerrillos and my dog was suddenly caught in a trap that someone had set. I will not go into the sad details, but I would like to say that when I did manage to free him, I left some sticks on the trap. I could not remove it because it was anchored in the ground.

Afterwards, I was shocked to find out that it was legal to place and set these traps. A week later I went out to the same area and found that the trap had not been visited because it was left with the sticks that I had left arranged over it. This seemed unconscionable to me because it was clear that whoever was allowed to set that trap was also allowed to leave it unattended. If an animal had been caught in their trap it would have most likely died an awful death over days and been worthless by the time the trap was checked , if ever.

It is not possible for me to understand why this practice is legal. Please ban traps from all of New Mexico's Public Lands.

Kind Regards,  
Sarah Bienvenu

**From:** Diana Zelnio [REDACTED] >

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 03:11:40 PM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us <IMCEAMAILTO-Joanna+2EPrukop+40state+2Enm+2Eus@namprd18.prod.outlook.com>; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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**From:** Mary Robert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 04:44:10 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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I believe that unattended traps should not be allowed on public lands. The risk of injury to other users is simply too high. It's only a matter of time before a child is maimed or killed. This must stop.

Mary A. Robert  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mark Rosacker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 06:39:08 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Minor modifications to current trapping laws do nothing to eliminate trapping on the vast majority of public lands in New Mexico. If private persons want to trap on their own private lands, they are welcome to do so. But there should be no snares, leg hold traps, "coyote getters", or other indiscriminate and poorly monitored killing devices allowed on our mutually held PUBLIC LANDS. The NM Game and Fish Department has lived comfortably in the laps of the few for too long. It is time to ban trapping on ALL New Mexico State and Federal lands. If a person or corporation elects to graze their own private livestock on public lands via a lease system; then doing so in a more intact ecosystem, including all native predators, is a risk they must be willing to accept. Let me be clear: NO MORE TRAPS OR TRAPPING ON PUBLIC LANDS.

**From:** Tortugamouse1 [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 07:13:34 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please stop all trapping, it is cruel and indiscriminate. Minnie Murray

**From:** Terri Andres [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:03:18 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please!! Ban traps from all New Mexican land! They are cruel and inhuman. I am a Native New Mexican and I believe we are better than that!

This is a heartfelt and sincere plea.

Please make this brutality end.

Thank you for your consideration,

Mrs. Teresa Andres

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[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

**From:** Joan Rogers [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:25:19 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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My Search-and-rescue dog had her foot caught in a trap, and while it didn't permanently maim her, it was very painful and traumatic. Afterward, as we talked to people, we found that having a pet caught in a leg trap was not uncommon.

If it's harmful to dogs, it's equally harmful to wildlife. If animals need to be moved from an area, there are humane traps to catch them without harming them.

Please ban all leg trapping in New Mexico.

Thank you.

Joan L Rogers  
[REDACTED]

**From:** patricia.morrison [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:01:02 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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I am writing to express my sadness, animal traps on public lands are unacceptable! Public lands should be free from trapping. Please reconsider the decision to continue to allow this. Patricia Morrison [REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** pamela [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:59:12 PM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us [REDACTED] Salazar-Henry, Roberta,  
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How uncivilized can we be in this day and age. Trapping is just cruel and inhumane. Please have the intelligence to ban traps on all New Mexico Public Lands!!!

With Gratitude,  
Pamela



Be kind, **REMOVE** my Email Address, use **BCC** when forwarding. Say **NO** to Spammers & Computer Viruses!

**From:** Diane Bloom [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 06:28:33 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Why traps at all on public lands. As I am a member of the public: not in my name

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Chris Bleich [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:16:42 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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I support the banning of traps. My friends dog was severely injured in a trap. It makes us look backward...no need for such a barbaric tradition

I vote.

Chris Bleich

**From:** Sacha Bush [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:12:22 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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To the Commissioners:

You all have hold the power to determine whether innocent animals get caught in traps. Traps are inhumane and indiscriminate. Should the well being and lives (in Roxys case) of animals and humans who step in the traps be sacrificed for a few peoples profit?

Please thoughtfully consider and act accordingly.

Sincerely,

Sacha Bush

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** J R Ristorcelli [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:51:37 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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**From:** Kim [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:54:35 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dear Game Commission,

Please consider the ban on trapping on public lands in New Mexico. It is indiscriminate and profoundly cruel. Many trappers are irresponsible and leave dying animals in traps while they languish and suffer and become prey to other wildlife. New Mexico is a proud state and must take its place as a leader in the 21st century.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kim Cooke

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Diane Hughes [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:48:21 PM  
**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us <IMCEAMAILTO-Joanna+2EPrukop+40state+2Enm+2Eus@namprd02.prod.outlook.com>; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dear Representatives,

Please ban traps on all New Mexico Public Lands!!!!

Why don't the trappers demonstrate the effects of traps on themselves? That would be equitable. I am sure they wouldn't want to be caught in a trap, even for a few minutes. Animals can't release themselves. And if Roxy's owner is to be believed, humans have difficulty opening the jaws of a trap.

Trapping is **cruel and indiscriminate**: TRAPPED ANIMALS SUFFER BEFORE THEY DIE.

Trapping is a **public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in [amputation](#) and, in [two cases](#), death. Traps are a danger to people too. CHILDREN CAN GET CAUGHT IN TRAPS

Trapping for pelts is an antiquated endeavor. There are many alternatives to a fur coat.

I respectfully request that each and all of you vote to ban traps on NM public lands.

Diane Hughes, DMD, MSD  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Ann Fugagli [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:48:01 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Hello,

I live in Silver City, and I love living in New Mexico. My house is a short driving distance to the Gila National Forest and my family goes hiking, backpacking and birding on a weekly basis. There isn't any other state where we would want to live.

Our wildlife is our natural resource that both residents and visitors are proud to see and we have pride knowing these animals are living their wild lives in the vast expanses on public land.

I am completely against trapping on our public lands. There is no reason or necessity for taking away this natural resource that most New Mexicans want to keep. There should be no changes to Roxy's Law and shame on us for entertaining any changes that undermine a strict trapping ban. The few people benefiting from this cruel, indiscriminate act are not reason enough to allow it to continue. Let's let the majority of voices be heard and we say 'NO!'

Thank you for your consideration on this issue.

Carol Ann Fugagli  
[REDACTED]

**From:** carmen martinez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:48:03 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please help ban traps in New Mexico. Traps are cruel to animals who get caught in them. Its such a cream and painful way for them to die.

Carmen Martinez

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Dinah Dozier [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:35:09 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Commissioners:

We would like to add our names to those New Mexicans respectfully asking you to ban traps from all of our public lands. Please consider the wishes of the overwhelming majority who abhor this cruel & unnecessary practice. It is our greatest hope that those who have the power to protect our precious natural resources will do so.

Sincerely,

Dinah & Larry Dozier

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**From:** Stephanie Kaylan [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:37:55 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Dear God---

Stop this!!!

Do your family members, yourselves & your kids need to have themselves caught in traps before y'all will finally do something?...to end this once & for all?

It's freakin' barbaric.

Stop it.

NOW!

I just don't understand.

I just don't understand.

Is someone paying y'all under the table to do his hanus act?

Stop it. NOW!

It's pitiful, ignorant, stupid & foolish.

Prayers for all the innocent ones.

SGMKJ

**From:** Barbara Fix [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 06:05:40 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please change the regulation of traps on public lands to let folks who hike with their dogs, such as I, be able to use lands belonging to the public without fear of traps causing hideous, sudden, frenzies of torturous pain and struggle. Let us share.

Barbara Fix

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**From:** Carolyn McElroy [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:21:12 PM  
**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dear Game Commissioners,

Please come into the 21st century. There are a few hundred people who, by indiscriminate trapping, are holding our public lands hostage and creating death traps for tourists and their animals. We are pushing tourism to Colorado and Arizona because we refuse to make our state managed lands safe. Those who absolutely must trap and poison animals can do so on privately owned lands — our state lands are for all of us, not just a fraction of one percent — to use.

It would bring more revenue and more jobs if we were to embrace the concept of New Mexico True by eliminating poisons and traps on public lands. Period.

Carolyn McElroy  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Bronwyn Poole [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:15:08 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please pass comprehensive legislation to ban trapping. It's inhumane and unnecessary.

Thanks,  
Bronwyn

Bronwyn T. Poole  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rita Gugliotta [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:13:01 PM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us <IMCEAMAILTO-Joanna+2EPrukop+40state+2Enm+2Eus@namprd06.prod.outlook.com>; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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To any of you with any power....please get rid of these traps on public lands. They are cruel and dangerous to animals. Lets try to live together in harmony with our wild beautiful and useful animals.....Rita Gugliotta

**From:** Krisandra Wamsley [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:01:53 PM

**To:** Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF

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I am urging you to an all trapping in New Mexico. Trapping endangers humans, pets, and wildlife. It's senseless, cruel and inhumane. We have the right to enjoy public lands without fearing for our selves and our pets safety. Wildlife deserves a place in this world, without experiencing the horrific cruelty and pain trappers ( consciousness individuals) inflict upon them.

**From:** Annmarie LaMay [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 06:56:49 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dear Commissioners, as an avid and frequent user of New Mexico's public lands I respectfully request that you pass laws to prohibit trapping on any and all of our public lands. It is cruel, dangerous and immoral.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Annmarie LaMay

[REDACTED]

Sent from Outlook

**From:** Kimberly Asher [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 06:27:59 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Traps should not be allowed on public land

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**From:** Caroline Sévilla [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 05:37:49 AM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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Dear members :

The Game Commission is considering minor changes to the trapping rule: they are inadequate. Another trapping season is looming in New Mexico after last year's saw at least two dogs killed, a handful of others injured, and untold thousands of native wildlife trapped and skinned for their fur !

Nearly 70% of New Mexicans oppose trapping entirely. While a public lands trapping ban (like Roxy's Law) is the best way to stop the cruelty and risk to public safety, our commissioners instead are entertaining an inadequate set of changes to the rule, including :

- Closing only 0.5% of New Mexico's public land to most traps.
- Increasing setbacks from trailheads, but not from trails or roads.
- Adopting a year-round season for raccoons and nutria.
- Increasing trap check times for underwater traps.
- Minor changes aren't going to fly.

New Mexicans want and deserve traps OFF of public lands.

Traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps. Trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.

Traps are cruel, they are indiscriminate, they are dangerous, and they are sapping our landscapes of native wildlife.

For only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit.

- Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia.
- Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Please ban cruel and indiscriminate traps from all of New Mexico's public lands!

Sincerely,

Caroline Sévilla

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 06:10:29 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Dear commissioners: I'm William Wiley: combat, decorated vet, hunter, conservative & I ask that you to ban Sport & Commercial trapping on public lands. Here is a chance for you to make a difference, to show NM is a humane state. This is a barbaric practice. We have high crime & child poverty. Show our children we are decent people. I believe you are honorable people. Please Stand up & do the right thing. Respectfully, Bill Wiley

**From:** Katya Adams [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 06:09:47 PM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us <IMCEAMAILTO-Joanna+2EPrukop+40state+2Enm+2Eus@namprd05.prod.outlook.com>; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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To all it may concern:

I am writing to encourage you to ban trapping from all public lands in New Mexico. Trapping is a cruel, barbaric practice that entails a slow and painful death for animals. Unlike hunting, there is no gamesmanship to trapping. Trapping also endangers humans. Public lands belong to all of us; they are also designated for the protection of nature - animals and people should feel safe on public lands.

Sincerely,

Katya Adams  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary Chevalier [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 06:06:08 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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PLEASE BAN ALL TRAPPING on public lands in our enchanting NM. While living near the Burro Mtns I was hiking coordinator for some yrs . I choose not to remember the heart rending experiences people came upon. The creatures in our wild lands only have a voice through the humans who populate these awesome lands in compassion, conscience and knowledge.

Sincerely, Mary Chevalier

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**From:** Barbara Basler [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 05:55:10 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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The proposed measures on trapping are weak and ineffective-an insult to New Mexicans. Fully 70 percent of residents want trapping banned on all public lands! Not to do so is to give in to the tyranny of the minority and that is not fair or democratic. Whats going on here? Why no total ban? Do your jobs! Barbara Basler [REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Donald Cooney [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 05:29:57 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tiztio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please ban all traps from all public state lands. They are unbelievably cruel and barbaric. Its past time to do away with such a grotesque practice that threatens wildlife as well as domestic pets and people including children. Now is the time to join the other 100 nations that have banned traps and begin to operate from a more empathetic and compassionate as well as civilized and intelligent manner.

Thank you

Donald Cooney

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**From:** Rayo McCollough [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 05:43:35 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Trapping wild animals is a relic of the past which is incompatible with modern public land uses. Ive seen traps set on public lands within 100 feet of residences that could easily injure domestic animals, pets, and kids. I support hunting and fishing, but is cruel to wildlife and dangerous to people and their animals.

Please ban trapping on public lands in New Mexico.

Thank you,

Rayo McCollough

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**From:** Redshift-MB [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 05:38:27 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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The relatively new public awareness of the interdependency of the web of the web exacts from all those in authority to prevent any further damage to any species whose life is inextricably bound to our own. Maj-Britt Eagle

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Kelly Pasholk [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 05:24:58 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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As New Mexican citizen, part of the more than 70% of the population who think trapping should be abolished, I call on you to end this barbaric practice.

Trapping is cruel. Think about what an animal goes through when it is trapped! Do you really want to be an enabler of this cruelty? Please, at least keep in mind that a trap does not know the difference between a target animal, an endangered species animal, a pet, nor a person. Trapping indiscriminately maims and kills. It is a profession (or sick sport) that belongs to the 18th Century, not to our present day New Mexico.

Please step up for a kinder gentler New Mexico.

Regards,  
Kelly Pasholk

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**From:** Karlton Terry [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 05:31:59 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please wake up to the reality of:

- 1) how disgusting and medieval trapping is, and;
- 2) what a danger it is to our domestic animal.

thank you

Karlton Terry

**From:** christina gonzalez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 05:23:58 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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It is time that all traps are removed from NM public lands. I would actually prefer that they be removed from all lands. Theyre cruel and inhumane ways of killing all kinds of animals, domestic and wild.

Please help New Mexico step into the 21st Century by becoming a more compassionate, caring state.

The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way in which its animals are treated.

Thank you,

Christina Gonzalez

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**From:** Denys Cope [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 05:11:42 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please it is so imp!

Please support trap-free public lands in New Mexico

Thank you,  
Denys Cope

**From:** Yvette Tapp [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 05:07:34 PM  
**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us@state.nm.us; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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## **We demand trap-free public lands in New Mexico**

***The Game Commission is considering minor changes to the trapping rule: they are inadequate.***

Another trapping season is looming in New Mexico after last year's saw at least two dogs killed, a handful of others injured, and untold thousands of native wildlife trapped and skinned for their fur.

Unfortunately, our new Game Commissioners do not seem to grasp the gravity of the situation nor understand that nearly 70% of New Mexicans oppose trapping entirely. While a public lands trapping ban (like [Roxy's Law](#)) is the best way to stop the cruelty and risk to public safety, our commissioners instead are entertaining an inadequate [set of changes](#) to the rule, including:

- Closing *only 0.5%* of New Mexico's public land to most traps.
- Increasing setbacks from trailheads, *but not from trails or roads*.
- Adopting a year-round season for raccoons and nutria.
- *Increasing* trap check times for underwater traps.

We need to make clear that minor changes aren't going to fly. New Mexicans want and deserve traps OFF of public lands. All living beings deserve the chance to LIVE NATURALLY and die NATURALLY, Everything is stacked against them already and this sadistic practice must be ended entirely.

Traps are cruel, they are indiscriminate, they are dangerous, and they are sapping our landscapes of native wildlife.

Sincerely,

Yvette

**From:** gigi gaulin [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:39:12 PM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us.; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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I lived in Santa Fe for 20 year and I still can't believe the state still allows this barbaric practice. Can't we evolve to a more humane society? Please, it is time! Stop this assault on nature especially for the benefit of a few individuals instead of saying yes to the web of life in which humans play an equal role with all of Life. Honor God by honoring the life of those who suffer in these unnecessary traps. Thank you. Dr Gaulin

*Heal the human, free the horse....the elephant....the earth.*

Gigi Gaulin, DVM

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[www.gigigaulin.com](http://www.gigigaulin.com)

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**From:** Lori Gutenberg [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:45:25 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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There is no place in today's society for this cruelty! How anyone can think of trapping in any way other than it is utterly inhumane is mind-boggling to me! Please ban trapping!

Lori Gutenberg  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Michela Aveta [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:30:11 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please, stop the suffering!

Thanks,  
Michela Aveta  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Carlyn Montes De Oca [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:59:48 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please ban traps from all public lands. Please listen to the majority of your constituents, not the minority.

Thank you.

**Carlyn**

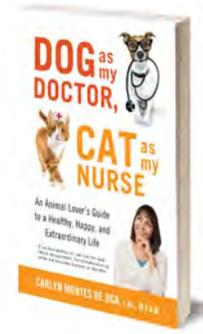
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- Eric O'Grey, author  
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**From:** Helen Crotty [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:41:59 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Traps are a cruel carryover from frontier days, as is trapping for profit. It's time New Mexico joined the 21st century. We had great hopes for a trap-free New Mexico when Governor Lujan Grisham was elected. I am very disappointed with your actions so far.

I live near public lands in the East Mountains, and since a commercial trapper moved in several years ago, the wildlife that I used to enjoy is much diminished. I rarely hear coyotes now and haven't seen a bobcat since the trapper arrived.

Please ban traps from all public lands in New Mexico. They are dangerous to people who enjoy nature and the outdoors and their pets and painfully cruel to the animals they catch.

Sincerely,

Helen Crotty

**From:** Linda Nelson [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:38:15 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Please ban all traps on public lands.

Thank you for your kind attention,

Linda Nelson

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Daniela Roth [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:38:12 PM  
**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us [REDACTED] Salazar-Henry, Roberta,  
DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tizio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dear members of the Game Commission:

I would like to make it clear that I do not consider the proposed changes to the trapping laws adequate. Not even close. Trapping is a cruel, dangerous and indiscriminate practice that has no place in the 21st century. Trapping needs to be completely banned from all our public lands.

Thank you for supporting a complete ban on trapping on our public lands.

Daniela Roth  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jeff Huser [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:36:39 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Dear Game Commissioner,

I am a long time user of forest trails in NM and I strongly oppose trapping on public lands it is hazardous and barbaric and has no place in civilized society.

Regards

Jeff Huser, MD

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 02:14:08 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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I am asking to please ban traps in New Mexico on Public Lands. They are cruel and wildlife deserves better treatment than this.

Thanks for your attention to this matter.

Julie Morgan  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:35:24 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Dear Game Commissioners,

I am writing as one person of the 70% of the public polled in New Mexico who oppose trapping on public lands. As representatives of the public interest, I urge you to oppose trapping on public lands because of its cruelty, its indiscriminate killing of non-target species, its drain on wildlife, and its dangers to people and pets on public lands. We are living through the sixth great extinction, and pressures on wildlife have never been greater. Please remove this cruel and unnecessary pressure by banning traps on public lands.

Sincerely, Anne Haven McDonnell

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Cheryl Hastings [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:31:09 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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Our New Mexico wildlife belongs to all of us, not the few trappers who pay rediculously small fees to profit financially from fur animals.

Why not protect these animals when they are a big draw for our tourism industry -which generates much more revenue for the state. Trapping for fur just doesn't make sense.

Cheryl Hastings

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**From:** LWren Walraven [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:30:36 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

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To Whom it May Concern:

As a wildlife artist, birdwatcher, hiker, outdoor enthusiast, and wildlife advocate I am highly disturbed that there is still trapping allowed on public lands in NM. It is a cruel and barbaric practice and I cannot believe that it is still going on. These traps maim and kill non targeted animals that are not to be hunted. This included endangered species and domestic animals including pets.

The fact that it happens on public lands is dangerous to kids, dogs, and hikers.

The price a trapper pays is far too low for being able to kill as many furbearers as they want. Trappers not paying gross receipt taxes means the practice in no way benefits New Mexico in any way. So why is it allowed in our state? Our state is better than this, and we need do the right thing and rid our lands of this horrible cruelty.

Thank you,

Wren

LWren Walraven  
Wren Dreams  
Folk & Fine Art

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[www.wrendreams.com](http://www.wrendreams.com)  
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**From:**



**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:27:39 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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I think it is very dangerous to put traps on public lands. It is a barbaric way to kill small animals and they are not immediately killed and suffer for hours or longer. The trappers need find another methods of making a living. The next generation will be eliminating this methods. So good now to get them new ways of making money. Many designers are eliminating fur from their fashions.

Thank you for your efforts.

Best

Therese

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Elizabeth Billups [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:16:14 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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To NM Game Commissioners,

Public lands are for the public! It is unfair to allow indiscriminate trapping by a few that profit off these actions. Anyone can get hurt! It is a cruel, outdated practice. This needs to end now.

Thank you

Elizabeth Billups

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** VICTORIA LINEHAN [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:23:02 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Game Commission,

Your proposed minimal changes are not acceptable. Not acceptable. Traps should be banned from all public lands in New Mexico. I do not feel you are hearing the public's request. This ban is long overdue. Please be progressive.

Respectfully,  
Victoria Linehan  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Palin Wiltshire [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:20:51 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Hi,

Please know that as a long time resident of New Mexico, I am adamantly against trapping of any kind.

I work in the tourist trade and this cruel practice of killing by trapping is barbaric and antiquated. It almost makes us look like a third world country.

We need to step up and take care of our fragile wildlife and ecosystems. Not cruelly trap and kill wildlife for fur, which is becoming taboo in educated circles.

California just became the first state in the nation to completely ban fur, the processing and sale of it.

Please consider what really is going to be the future.

You can start by outlawing trapping altogether.

Sincerely,

Palin Wiltshire  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Paula Zima [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:20:31 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Commissioners,

Please, trapping is inhumane, it is indiscriminate, traps catch our pet dogs, could easily trap a stray child, not to mention the pain and fear it causes the trapped animals. Please, listen to the people who are asking you to stop this practice.

The pro-trappers will say things like: it's a great way to make extra money; it's a fun after school activity; it's a great way for our children to learn to be responsible, to have a job; we need to trap to protect our livestock.

None of those statements take in to account the pain and suffering trapping, particularly with steel jaw traps, to hikers, to the domestic pets caught in the traps on our public lands, and to the wildlife.

Thank you for opting for humane.

Paula Zima

Sculpture & Painting  
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**From:** Deborah Williamson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:14:35 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Commissioners:

I spend every waking hour outside when not at work- time on public lands. I have four small rescue terriers, all under 20 lbs. Please ban traps from public lands period. We know many are not marked and are close to trails- anyone including small children and household pets can be injured or die as a result of a trapping accident. Its the right thing to do for New Mexicans and the tourists who visit the state. Its time to let go of the antiquated.

Thank you.

Dr. Deborah Williamson

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Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Jean-Paul Chevalier [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:11:53 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Trapping is cruel and inhumane. Let's get New Mexico out of the dark ages and do the right thing.

Jean-Paul Chevalier

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**From:** fiona mgh [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:10:46 PM  
**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us [REDACTED] Salazar-Henry, Roberta,  
DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Hello All:

Another trapping season is looming in New Mexico after last year's saw at least two dogs killed, a handful of others injured, and untold thousands of native wildlife trapped and skinned for their fur.

Unfortunately, our new Game Commissioners do not seem to grasp the gravity of the situation nor understand that nearly 70% of New Mexicans oppose trapping entirely. While a public lands trapping ban (like [Roxy's Law](#)) is the best way to stop the cruelty and risk to public safety, our commissioners instead are entertaining an inadequate [set of changes](#) to the rule, including:

- Closing *only 0.5%* of New Mexico's public land to most traps.
- Increasing setbacks from trailheads, *but not from trails or roads*.
- Adopting a year-round season for raccoons and nutria.
- *Increasing* trap check times for underwater traps.

These minor changes aren't going to fly. New Mexicans want and deserve traps OFF of public lands.

Please - we can do better!

Traps are cruel, they are indiscriminate, they are dangerous, and they are sapping our landscapes of native wildlife.

MG Harman

**From:** Charlene Brash-Sorensen [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:07:27 PM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us [REDACTED] Salazar-Henry, Roberta,  
DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tizio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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As an avid hiker on New Mexico public lands, and a dog owner, I strongly encourage you to support legislation that would end trapping on ALL public lands in our state. The profit of a tiny number of tappers cannot justify the suffering they cause to unimaginable numbers of wildlife. As Gandhi said, "The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated."

**From:** Diana [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:05:34 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Commissioners,

Please bring New Mexico into the modern and humane era by banning all traps for game.

It astonishes me that this kind of trapping is allowed in this day and age, especially on public lands. To expose wild and domestic animals, not to mention people, to this menace, and its cruel approach to animals, is beyond belief. Please stop this practice immediately.

Sincerely,

Diana K. McDonald, PhD

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**From:** BRUCE [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:59:23 PM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us [REDACTED] Salazar-Henry, Roberta,  
DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear All,

Please ban traps from all of New Mexico's public lands. They are cruel, they are indiscriminate and upset the balance of nature.

Sincerely,

Bruce Donnell

**From:** GEORGE LORNA WILKES RUEBELMANN [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:05:12 PM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us <IMCEAMAILTO-Joanna+2EPrukop+40state+2Enm+2Eus@namprd17.prod.outlook.com>; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Game and Fish Commissioners,

Please listen to your public and ban all traps on public lands. We have been working on getting this done for ten years after the deaths of dogs and biodiversity needed to save all species.

Lorna and George Ruebelmann  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Charlene- Kevin McDermott-Cottage [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:56:12 PM  
**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us [REDACTED] Salazar-Henry, Roberta,  
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**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please end the needless suffering. Thank you. Dr. . A. Charlene Mcdermott

**From:** susan selbin [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 10:51:25 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please ban trapping from all NM Public Lands.

This cruel and indiscriminate practice must be ended in our state.

Thank you.

Susan Selbin



Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

**From:** Robert Southworth [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 06:47:58 AM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Stop it!

**From:** Rebecca Kraimer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:41:17 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from ALL NM public lands

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Dear Game Commissioners:

Nearly 70% of New Mexicans oppose trapping entirely.

No one on public land anywhere in our state should be subject to the harm and danger that hidden traps pose.

A public lands trapping ban (like [Roxy's Law](#)) is the best way to stop the cruelty and risk to public safety. Instead, you are entertaining an inadequate [set of changes](#) to the rule, including:

Closing *only 0.5%* of New Mexico's public land to most traps.

Increasing setbacks from trailheads, *but not from trails or roads*.

Adopting a year-round season for raccoons and nutria.

Increasing trap check times for underwater traps.

If these inadequate proposals stand, New Mexico will still allow unlimited killing of any "furbearing" species like foxes, bobcats and badgers, so trappers can make as much money as possible from the sale of their pelts. Wildlife species will still be caught by mistake, including endangered animals like the Mexican wolf. The by-catch of unintended species like javelina, cougars, bears, squirrels, porcupines and birds will still go unrecorded and uncounted. Trappers will still not be held liable if a canine companion is hurt as a result of being trapped or if a human is injured rescuing their dog.

These minor changes are a joke. **New Mexicans want and deserve traps OFF of public lands.** Traps are cruel, they are indiscriminate, they are dangerous, and they are sapping our landscapes of native wildlife. **Don't any of you care?**

**Public lands are for public use. Traps and the public don't mix!**

Sincerely,  
**Rebecca A. Kraimer**

**From:** Laura Hendrie [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 10:39:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] BAN Traps

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I am absolutely against the cruelty of animal trapping. As Elijah Cummings said We are better than this! Ban all trapping—it's such an easy decision and will enhance your often shaky reputation with the majority of New Mexican citizens!!

Sent from iPhone

Laura Hendrie  
Certified Independent PAC Educator  
Positive Approach to Dementia Care

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[REDACTED]  
Web: <https://Partneringincare.com>

**From:** Julie [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 06:19:18 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping on public lands

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Dear Game Commission,

I stepped on a leg hold trap last year when hiking on public lands in New Mexico. I didn't see it because it was buried. It was very powerful and felt like an explosion under my foot. Had I stepped an inch shorter it would have clamped down on my toes and caused damage. I reported it to NMDGF and the officer said it was legal. I could not believe it, it could have broken my toes. Trappers will say they are harmless, and maybe they are if you wear large heavy boots, but I felt the force and it was powerful.

After that incident I have been afraid to hike on public lands. When I do go out I study the ground before I step. It has made going out onto public lands much less enjoyable for me, in fact it is stressful. Not only because of the fear of getting injured by a trap, but also the fear of finding the carnage left by the trapper or an injured struggling animal caught in a trap. He had left a skinned coyote by the first trap which was horrid to see. Later in the winter I found a dead skinned bobcat, also left by a trapper.

I will not take kids hiking with me because of the fear of injury and carnage. I now dread November 1<sup>st</sup>, the day trapping for most fur bearers begins.

Trapping may be needed in some situations and done by NMDGF officers or biologists, but not for the general public. It is no longer necessary for survival as it might have been in the 1800s. and is in conflict with the majority of the rest of the recreating public and other public land users.

Sincerely,  
Julie Schwab, [REDACTED]

**From:** Beverley Spears [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:13:41 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Cruel

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Hello fellow New Mexicans,

Trapping on our public lands in New Mexico should be made illegal as it has been in Arizona, Colorado and elsewhere. It is a shocking fact that with a \$20 license, anyone can set a steel-jawed trap on public lands and walk away without knowing what creature may be brutally injured or destroyed. There are no limits, and little oversight on this carnage, but even one animal so cruelly maimed or killed should be illegal. Please end this barbaric practice which causes extreme suffering.

Beverley Spears, FAIA

**From:** Jeri Ramrath [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:13:57 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] End Trapping

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Please end the cruel, indiscriminate practice of trapping. It poses a danger to the public, to other species including pets, and it is inhumane and unethical. The suffering inflicted on the animals trapped is unacceptable and must stop.

Thank you for putting an end to this cruel practice.

Sincerely yours

Jeri B. Ramrath

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:19:16 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] furbearer rule

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I would like to make the following comments regarding the proposed furbearer rule.

First, it is extremely difficult to comment on a draft rule when the rule is not provided and just some general summary comments are.

Setbacks regarding occupied dwellings, roadside rest areas, roadside picnic areas need to exempt landowners and their agents on private property.

Rule needs to allow landowners ability to designate agent to trap on private property regarding setbacks (does not currently do so).

Additional proposed closure areas in Sandias and Organs need to continue to allow use of cage and foot encapsulating (dog proof) traps.

I oppose proposal to allow Director to set one year bag limit.

Populations can fluctuate due to disease and weather but just like small game, harvest intensity is self limiting based on population levels. We don't set annual bag limits on game bird or small game species every year due to annual fluctuations.

I oppose year round raccoon season of any type. Season should be concurrent with beaver and muskrat seasons and no pursuit season.

Depredation issues need be handled just as Department says other species would be.

Summary wording regarding water set foothold size limits would cause limitation to not apply to 8" and 12" traps only those in "between".

Visual electronic check of land sets needs to be legal to fulfill agent

requirement. This is 21st century and technology is available. Often used by State wildlife agencies now. Would allow for 24 hour monitoring.

Extend trap check requirement on lethal water sets (defined as submersion sets in BMPs) to every other calendar day.

Allow trapping on state wildlife management areas where appropriate to fulfill management needs.

Require bobcat pelts to be tagged by end of license year (March 31) Will eliminate potential poaching window of opportunity. Still gives 16 days after season to tag.

Department needs to request and have provision for reporting of unprotected furbearers (i.e. coyotes, skunks, opossums) to track harvest and determine any range expansion or occurrences on annual harvest report.

Department needs to determine extent of current and proposed closure areas in state. Significant areas are currently closed due to ownership of policy of managing agencies now plus Department restrictions. Basic information to properly evaluate impact of proposals.

Setbacks are contradictory in that Department rules allow for firearm discharge within 150 yards of occupied dwellings and no restrictions from picnic areas, rest areas, trails, trailheads, boat launch areas etc. This can be a real safety issue versus setting a legal trap. No logic.

David Heft

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**From:** Steve Rice [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 02:49:16 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Furbearer rule

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First I want to state that I am a long time hunter and outdoorsman that enjoys New Mexico's public lands. That being said, I believe that trapping of fur bearing animals is an activity from a proverbial bygone era. Given the extreme fluctuations in the value of pelts and the generally low average value of pelts overall, there is no way that trapping could supply more than some pocket change for a few individuals, much less a living income. For example in **Trapping Today** magazine, currently, coyote pelts from the plains of Montana, Dakotas and Alberta command the highest prices while coyotes from the South/SW may go for as low as \$20 bucks each. Scarce top quality bobcat underbelly pelts may command high prices but on average they are worth \$60 or less. And fox pelt prices have been declining for years and now bring less than \$20. With these prices, how can trapping in NM be more than just a wasteful hobby. With more and more of the population using public lands for recreational activities, it is past time to totally outlaw this cruel practice. Steve Rice

85 Camino Cabo  
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Sarah and Joe Dawson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 12:13:19 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Furbearing Trapping

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Just a note to register my wife and my support of current laws governing trapping. The campaign to drastically reduce or curtail trapping is orchestrated by folks who have little connection to the realities of conservation management or the challenges of a rural lifestyle.

I agree that perhaps trapping should be more closely regulated within the city limits of Santa Fe but their thinking should not mandate the lifestyle and historical practices of the great majority of the state.

We appreciate your consideration of our comments in reaching your decision.

Warm regards,

Joe and Sarah Dawson

[REDACTED]

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 01:09:58 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Fwd: Change State trapping rules

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Please excuse the wrong initial e-mail address I sent to.

-----Original Message-----

From: fishbikefish [REDACTED]  
To: dbf-furbearer-rules <dbf-furbearer-rules@state.nm.us>  
Sent: Sun, Oct 20, 2019 7:48 am  
Subject: Change State trapping rules

To the Game Commission,

Please consider changing and update trapping rules for New Mexico. Trapping is an unnecessary and cruel thing to do in today's world.

Colorado has even outlawed trapping. New Mexico should do the same. We no longer need the pelts for survival to keep warm. Traps are a danger to people, pets and unsuspecting wildlife. The people who continue to do this archaic practice need to be educated that the time has come to quit this type of "hunting" and move on. This can be done.

New Mexico should stop being the wild wild west. If trappers and hunters are allowed to indiscriminately kill wildlife that not even the state knows the numbers of, then we will lose what makes New Mexico the special place it is. Please protect our wildlife and outlaw all trapping.

Thank you, Felicia R. Trujillo

**From:** rookery [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 02:49:57 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Fwd: Please share: Ban cruel steel traps NOW

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Sent from my Samsung Galaxy Tab® S

----- Original message -----

**From:** Blair Brown [REDACTED]  
**Date:** 10/21/19 12:49 PM (GMT-07:00)  
**To:** blair brown [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Please share: Ban cruel steel traps NOW

Forward to NM Game Commission at  
dgf-furbearer-rules@state.nm.us  
and bcc your contacts.

Thank you

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> Dear NM Game Commissioners and Governor Grisham,

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> I am writing to protest the legality of trapping animals in NM. Why are we still supporting such an out-dated, immoral and barbaric practice in our beautiful state?

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> There is no longer any justification for condoning such an inhumane practice as steel traps.

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> The NM Fish and Wildlife Department should immediately take this opportunity to set an example for forward-thinking, conservation reform instead of enabling cruelty to animals.

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> 1. Please ban steel traps.

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> 2. Please use your authority to punish cruelty to animals.

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> 3. Please help restore our dwindling predator populations and foster more healthy biodiversity for future generations.

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> “New Mexico True”? Rather than holding true to past ignorance, please create and enforce laws in New Mexico TRUE to environmental ethics of the 21st century.

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> Yours truly,

> Blair Brown

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**From:** Mike Word <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 12:18:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Halt Trapping on Public Lands

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As a New Mexico citizen with a love of all the wonderful outdoor experiences we have here in the land of enchantment, I call for you to take action and halt all trapping on our public lands! The overwhelming majority of New Mexicans want trapping stopped. The indiscriminate nature of trapping makes it different from other forms of hunting and this cannot be tolerated any longer. Hunters and non-hunters alike call for you to end this cruel, antiquated practice.

Stop trapping in New Mexico!

Thank you.

John Michael Word  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Daisy Kates [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 03:26:50 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] No trapping on public lands in NM

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Hello,

I hope you will consider public comments on this important issue. Trapping on public lands puts the public and their domestic animals at risk and is cruel and indiscriminate to wildlife.

Closing .5% of NM Public Lands to traps is not enough. And setbacks to ALL trails and roads need to be protected from traps.

I believe that there should be NO trapping allowed on NM Public Lands.

Thank you,

Daisy Kates

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**From:** Janet Marshall [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:36:01 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] NO Trapping on Public Lands

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ATTN: Furbearer Rule Delvelopment

I am writing in opposition of allowing any type of trapping on public lands. This inhumane and cruel practice must be abolished in New Mexico. There is no reasonable justification for the continuation of this antiquated custom.

It is my belief that New Mexico should take the bigger step and outlaw trapping on both public and private property.

Thank you for your consideration.

Janet Marshall

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Tito Meyer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:11:40 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] NO traps and snares on public land

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Traps and snares are cruel and dangerous. Please completely outlaw them on our public land. The proposed changes are insufficient and in some ways worse. Please say no to snares and traps!

Thank you, Tito Meyer

**From:** Dorothy Ormerod [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 06:50:51 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] No Trapw

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NO TRAPS!!!!

Dorothy and Bill Ormerod

**From:** Becca Smith [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 08:02:24 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Please ban traps on New Mexico lands

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PLEASE take action against public land trapping. It is so inhumane, it is heartbreaking. Wild animals are important to the ecosystem, and they are worth more than their fur. Our state is better than this.

Thank you,

Becca Smith

**From:** Shannon Patrick [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 07:10:24 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please prohibit recreational and commercial trapping on all public lands.

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**Please prohibit recreational and commercial trapping** on all public lands. We've tried doing all the wrong things already -- and they don't work for anyone and are inhumane and cruel. Please, step up and try doing the RIGHT thing now!!!

Some of your proposals actually weaken current restrictions, such as increasing the trap check time for traps set underwater and allowing trapping all year long for raccoons and nutria. This is unacceptable!

That some limited areas such as the Sandia Mountains and Organ Mountains may become off limits to trapping is an acknowledgement that traps and the public don't mix. But no one on public land anywhere in our state should be subject to the harm and danger that hidden traps pose.

If these inadequate proposals stand, New Mexico will still allow unlimited killing of any "furbearing" species like foxes, bobcats and badgers, so trappers can make as much money as possible from the sale of their pelts. Wildlife species will still be caught by mistake, including endangered animals like the Mexican wolf. The by-catch of unintended species like javelina, cougars, bears, squirrels, porcupines and birds will still go unrecorded and uncounted. Trappers will still not be held liable if a canine companion is hurt as a result of being trapped or if a human is injured rescuing their dog. THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE!!!!

Thank you,  
Shannon Patrick  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kathy Corbin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:16:04 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Kathy Corbin

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Franziska Eber [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:08:50 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Franziska Eber

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** John Wilks [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:56:11 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

John Wilks

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Jodi Igard [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:52:08 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Jodi Igard

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary Bowlby [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:04:47 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Mary Bowlby

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Robbie Hacha [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 06:47:48 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Robbie Hacha

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Marc van de Waarsenburg [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 05:24:35 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Marc van de Waarsenburg

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Maria Schneider [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 12:05:38 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Maria Schneider

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Andrew Lieuwen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 07:55:03 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Andrew Lieuwen

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Laurie Magill [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 07:57:09 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Laurie Magill

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** R.Alan Maurer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:06:05 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

R. Alan Maurer

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Michael Crews [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:22:57 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Michael Crews

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Donna Koechner [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 02:29:59 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Donna Koechner

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Brittany Gutierrez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 02:44:24 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Brittany Gutierrez

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Dixie Parker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 06:00:14 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Dixie Parker

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Mariana Lukacova [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:20:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Mariana Lukacova

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Elizabeth Kerkmans [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:54:43 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Elizabeth Kerkmans

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Asmita Bhargava [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:20:22 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Asmita Bhargava

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** M.Anthony Cabral [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:23:18 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

M. Anthony Cabral

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Janice Murphey [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:20:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Janice Murphey

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Phyllis Wilcox [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 06:26:52 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Phyllis Wilcox

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Elizabeth Elk [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 06:15:40 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Elizabeth Elk

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** paulo reeson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 04:52:16 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

paulo reeson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Denise Pokorny [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:16:18 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Denise Pokorny

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Boehler [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 01:27:30 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Karen Boehler

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Nancy Bush [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:35:09 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Nancy Bush

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Shelby Hallmark [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 12:31:52 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Shelby Hallmark

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Raphaël PONCE [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:17:37 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Raphaël PONCE

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Stephanie Hatfield [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:16:50 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I spoke out about this issue last year during the legislative session and I will do so again. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Stephanie Hatfield

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Elaine Rupert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 02:50:31 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Elaine Rupert

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Diane LaFrance [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 02:28:47 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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THIS OUTDATED, CRUEL AND INHUMANE PRACTICE SHOULD BE STOPPED.

Sincerely,

Diane LaFrance

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Maura Chazin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 02:10:58 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Maura Chazin

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Caitlin Osepchuk [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 01:53:59 PM  
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[REDACTED]

**From:** Teri Micco [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 01:02:16 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Teri Micco

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Brittany Buckingham [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 12:35:03 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Brittany Buckingham

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Jeffrey Hanus [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 11:42:14 AM  
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Jeffrey Hanus

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carol And Richard Martin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 10:09:11 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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**From:** Erika Wanenmacher [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:55:13 AM  
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Erika Wanenmacher

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Anne Montarou [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:34:05 AM  
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Anne Montarou

[REDACTED]

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**From:** judy devine [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:31:42 AM  
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**From:** Annette Ahlander [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 09:21:24 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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P. S.: I just sent a rather pointed response to your callous regard for Roxy, the dog caught in a snare in Espanola (she died), and her killer, the man who set the vile trap on our public land, being let go with barely a slap on the wrist, though New Mexico law clearly states that this is a prosecutorial offense deserving of full enforcement, including jail or prison time. How dare you. Read my response, and read it well. It doesn't make you look very good.

Sincerely,

Annette Ahlander

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** sue magee [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 05:08:30 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Joan Florance [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:00:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Cc:** Joan Florance [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please stop the use of barbaric traps and snares in New Mexico

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AS A NATIVE New Mexican I WANT OUR STATE TO STOP THE USE OF TRAPS AND SNARES IN OUR STATE, MAKE THEM ILLEGAL AND STOP THE EXCRUCIATING PAIN NO ANIMAL SHOULD EVER HAVE TO EXPERIENCE..., EVER. PL EASE MAKE TRAPS AND SNARES ILLEGAL NOW. I PRAY IT WILL BE DONE RIGHT NOW. Traps and snares ARE BARBARIC AND CRUEL.

I STAND AGAINST TRAPPING!

SINCERELY,

JOAN S. FLORANCE

[REDACTED]

**From:** Katey Breen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:50:52 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] PLEASE STOP TRAPPING

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To whom it may concern,

Please stop steel jaw/leg hold trapping. If it is necessary or a livelihood for someone, there are other ways, certainly more humane. I have worked in animal welfare since 1976, starting in Georgia where this very issue was at the forefront. Why is it taking so long to recognize how dangerous these devices are and do something about it? They are dangerous to people, pets, tourists/hikers, and certainly inhumane to the wild animals which are supposedly so important to the trapper. If this product is so important to trappers, why would they jeopardize it - chewed off legs, predator carnage mutilating the products, etc? It just doesnt make sense.

Ban this type of trap and continue to make New Mexico a leader in modern progressive behavior.

Katherine Breen  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Diane Owens [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:38:25 PM  
**To:** DGF-Bear-Cougar-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] proposal on trapping

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I am writing to advise you that I oppose the current regulations on trappings of animals. There should not be any trappings on public lands at all. The current proposals on trapping are inadequate to protect the public.

Diane Owens  
resident of [REDACTED]

**From:** John and Linda Douglas [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 01:25:59 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Proposed new regularions on trapping

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To the Department of Game & Fish:

We have a different proposal: Outlaw trapping (including use of snares) on all public land in New Mexico! This activity benefits very few New Mexicans, but mainly, it is simply abhorrent and immoral. It should go the way of cockfighting and dogfighting. The regulations already in place are difficult to enforce with any consistency. In the first place, if a DGF officer does have time to check, it must be very time consuming to ascertain the placement of traps, and also next to impossible to verify that they are checked as often as is called for by the regulations. Meanwhile, animals suffer horribly. Given the great percentage of "harvest" of foxes and bobcats, as opposed to larger predators, it seems clear that this ugly means of catching animals is not effective for protection of much of anything, if indeed that is the intent.

It appears that about 2,000 trappers (How many of them pursue this as a full-time job?) get a real deal from the state, including an inexpensive license and no required taxation. No matter how strong their lobby is, the State of New Mexico should end this cruel practice, at least on all public land.

Sincerely,

John and Linda Douglas  
[REDACTED]

**From:** CATHERINE JOBLING [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 01:07:36 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Proposed Rule Changes for Commercial and Recreational Trapping

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Dear Game Commissioners,

I ask and urge you strongly to reconsider the proposed rule changes for commercial and recreational trapping on public land. These rule changes are weak and inadequate and don't go far enough in protecting humans and targeted and non-targeted animals. The public and vicious, cruel traps don't mix! In fact, I am afraid to hike or explore New Mexico's beautiful public lands and enjoy the native wildlife (which I adore) out of grave concern for those dangerous traps. Please prohibit commercial and recreational trapping on all public lands. Thank you for reading my letter.

Regards,

Catherine Jobling

[REDACTED]

**From:** Thesmophoros [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 05:37:12 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tizio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Maria Schneider

**From:** Sau Sang [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:05:19 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tizio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Dr. Elisabeth Bechmann  
[REDACTED]

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**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:37:42 AM  
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[REDACTED]

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**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 02:47:28 AM  
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**From:** Andrea Sreiber [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 03:25:06 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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[REDACTED]



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**From:** Larry <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 06:27:50 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Charlotte Lipson <lipson@zianet.com>  
**Subject:** [EXT] Re: Strengthen trapping rules

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I concur with Charlotte.

Larry Gioannini  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

On Monday, October 21, 2019, 10:39:04 AM MDT, Charlotte Lipson [REDACTED] wrote:

Commissioners:

I strongly urge you to strengthen the rules covering trapping. Do not allow unlimited killing and injuring of wild animals including endangered species and domestic pets caught "by mistake."

Under present rules I understand that trappers are not liable if a family dog is hurt as a result of being trapped or if a human is injured rescuing their dog or a wild animal.

Charlotte Lipson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Terry Monroe [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:23:38 AM  
**To:** Nancy & John Wachholz [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Re: trapping rules

My name is Terry Monroe. I am 59 years old and have been a nature enthusiast all my life. My wife and I both are hunters and utilize the meat for a means to livelihood. I am a bowhunter and gun hunter and truly enjoy the hunt for many reasons including family time with our kids, grandkids and each others company. We do however feel that trapping is something that was used years and years ago even before the newer style weapons were invented for accuracy. That accuracy has made the hunt far more human for the animal themselves. The trap however is not accurate nor human. I/we are opposed to trapping and would really love to see that go away. It should be banned.

Thank you,  
Terry & Tammy Monroe  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

On Mon, Oct 21, 2019 at 12:06 PM Nancy & John Wachholz [REDACTED] wrote:

My name is John Wachholz. I am 81 years old and have been a wildlife photographer for most of my life. My wife, Nancy and I have lived in Silver City, NM for over 12 years.  
When we were younger living in Wisconsin we hunted with both bow and arrow and guns.  
In those years, we harvested deer, bear, game birds and waterfowl. We are not anti-hunting and believe hunting for food is a good thing for some people, although we would never call it a 'sport'.  
When in Wisconsin as well as New Mexico we have spent many hours and days in the forest and BLM lands. I, myself, have come across unattended traps which have snared numerous animals and birds - left to die agonizing and cruel deaths. A trap, by its nature, is not like a hunter with gun or bow and arrow, and cannot determine what it is going to kill. Many traps I found had only unrecognizable bones and it was impossible to even tell what kind of bird or mammal lost its life.  
We don't care what kind of trap it is, it is a weapon that causes a horrible and inhumane way to suffer and die. When you see this for yourself, with your own eyes, it leaves a lasting impression.  
We also do not believe trapping should be allowed on any public OR private lands. It is not a harvest for food nor a sporting activity in any form.  
It is time to rethink this antiquated and cruel activity... trapping must be banned.

John and Nancy Wachholz  
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[REDACTED]  
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"Pleasure in the job puts perfection in the work"

**From:** Michael S. Lynch [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:31:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Re: traps

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Dear Sirs/Madame

Please restrict hideously cruel animal trapping in New Mexico to the greatest extent possible!

Thank you.

Michael Lynch

**From:** susie rossmann [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 02:36:05 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Recreational and commercial trapping in NM

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Where to begin - this issue is heartbreaking. It's difficult to believe that a ludicrous \$20 fee allows a trapper to kill unlimited numbers of "protected furbearers" for 4-1/2 months of a year. How about increasing that fee to \$200? Are these same trappers paying their gross receipts tax when they sell the pelts? Are they required to buy insurance to pay for the medical care their traps incur on citizens and their dogs? Why are trappers not liable for the damage their traps are doing?

So there are no records of the true number of traps that are being set and their locations? It seems there is little if any management of this practice by the New Mexico Game Commission.

Trapping interferes with people's use of the public lands. Arizona and Colorado have banned trapping on public lands - and so should our state. ALL of New Mexico's public lands should be protected from this practice. The public should be guaranteed safe access to all public lands.

Wildlife is not a "resource" - wildlife does not need to be strangled or maimed until death to regulate populations of animals. Nature does that. It seems there is no pity of any kind for the uncounted non-"furbearers" that are destroyed or maimed by traps.

Trapping is a cowardly, lazy practice and needs to end in our beautiful state.

Seems to me that the Game and Fish Dept. should be protecting the game and fish, not assuring trappers that trapping will be protected. Let's move out of the dark ages in this respect.

**From:** marianna breton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 06:22:56 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Rules for game trapping

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The New Mexico Gaming Commission is not listening to the desires of New Mexico residents in only declaring 0.5% of public land declared trap free. The indiscriminate trapping creates a dangerous situation for residents and their pets as well as nontarget wildlife that get caught in these leghold traps. The new modifications are weak and do not mitigate the problem allowing a small subset of the population to continue this barbaric indiscriminate killing. New Mexico is a state that takes pride in its open spaces and wilderness yet we continue to allow the senseless, indiscriminate slaughter of our native species.

M. Breton  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Dawn Duncan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:00:02 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] rules for trapping and snaring on public lands

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Dear Legislators,

Having finally moved to my favorite state in the US some 2 months ago, I am doing all I can to be a productive part of making New Mexico safe, healthy, and a happy place for all who reside here, human and other creatures as well. My husband and I, along with our 2 dogs, love to hike and explore our public areas. While we keep our dogs on leash, both they and the two of us might accidentally stumble into a trap or snare at any time. Additionally, even for creature for whom these contraptions are intended, the process of capture and kill is cruel and inhumane. It is one thing to hunt or fish and consume one's catch, but it is quite another to plant these snares and traps that can indiscriminately do horrific harm, sometimes over a torturous period to living creatures. It is beneath us as humans, especially in a state that has such an ancient connection to the land and its creatures, such a reverence for the wild. Please, as you consider these regulations, make it illegal to trap or snare on any public lands, for the sake of all of us who wander these lands.

Sincerely,

Dawn Duncan  
[REDACTED]

Dr. Dawn Duncan  
Narrative 4 – Master Practitioner  
Professor Emeritus of English, Film & Global Studies  
Concordia College- [REDACTED]

**From:** Maria Stennis [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 02:03:54 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stop Trapping on Public Lands

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As a New Mexico citizen with a love of all the wonderful outdoor experiences we have here in the Land of Enchantment, I call for you to take action and halt all trapping on our public lands! The overwhelming majority of New Mexicans want trapping stopped. The indiscriminate nature of trapping makes it different from other forms of hunting and this cannot be tolerated any longer. Hunters and non-hunters alike call for you to end this cruel, antiquated practice.

Stop trapping in New Mexico!

Thank you.

Maria Stennis  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sharon Smock [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 03:33:44 PM  
**To:** Charlotte Lipson [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Strengthen trapping rules

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Why do we encourage people to inhumanely kill wildlife on public lands! This has been going on for decades and has it really made the difference or do we just reinforce to our children that the End Justifies the Means? These animals die horrid deaths. THE WAY WILDLIFE SERVICES HAS CONTINUED THE SAME CONTROL METHODS OVER GENERATIONS IS JUST NOT THE RIGHT WAY TO DEAL WITH ANIMALS IN OUR COMMUNITY.

WHY NOT DEAL WITH PROBLEM ANIMALS SEPARATELY? WHY DO WE ALLOW BLANKET KILLING? PEOPLE GO OUT FOR SPORT AND SEARCH AND KILL THESE ANIMALS IN INHUMANE AND AWFULLY PAINFUL WAYS. THIS IS ARCHAIC AND NEEDS TO BE UPDATED TO MODERN STANDARDS ON HOW WE UNDERSTAND THE BIOLOGY, LIFECYCLE, AND NEEDS OF THESE ANIMALS AND UTILIZE A MUCH MORE HUMANE METHOD ON HOW TO DEAL WITH THEIR NUMBERS. THESE ANIMALS DESERVE OUR ATTENTION TO HUMANELY MANAGE THEIR NUMBERS. OUR COMMUNITY IS JUDGED BY HOW WE TREAT THOSE THAT ARE SUBJECTED TO OUR ACTIONS. THEY ARE PART OF OUR COMMUNITY AS WE ARE PART OF THEIR ECOSYSTEM.

THIS COMMISSION SHOULD KNOW BETTER TO SUCCUMB TO SPORTSMEN, THE NRA, THE CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION, THE SPORTING GOODS INDUSTRY AND ANY OTHER ASSOCIATION THAT GIVES A LICENSE IN ONE HAND AND A WEAPON IN ANOTHER TO DESTROY OUR PUBLIC LANDS AND WILDLIFE WITH POISONS, TRAPS, AND OTHER LETHAL WEAPONS. LACK OF RESPECT FOR ANIMALS BY NOT DEALING WITH OUR PROBLEMS IN A CONSTRUCTIVE WAY IS A PICTURE OF OUR SOCIETY, PASSING ON TO NEW GENERATIONS TO KEEP NATURE SEPARATE FROM PEOPLE, TO FIND THE EASY WAY TO EXTERMINATE, TO NOT AT LEAST TRY TO LIVE HARMONIOUSLY WITH THE OTHER ANIMALS THAT SHARE THE SAME HABITAT.

HUNTING IS A RESPECTABLE SPORT AND MOST RESPECTABLE HUNTERS WOULD CALL THE WAY THESE ANIMALS ARE 'CONTROLLED' AS MURDER.

PLEASE RECONSIDER.

SINCERELY,  
SHARON S SMOCK

Sent from my Skully's iPhone

How Animals Are Killed in New Mexico

\*Statistics taken from data provided by New Mexico Wildlife Services, 2010

KILLS METHOD

8,515 Shooting  
5,485 DRC-1339 (starlicide, a poison)  
2,086 Aerial Hunting (shooting animals from a helicopter or airplane)  
1,290 M44 (a device which when triggered releases sodium cyanide into the mouth of an animal)  
1,107 Neck Snares (wire loops strategically set to tighten around an animal's body)  
879 Decoy Traps  
745 Cage Traps  
545 Leghold Traps (traps in which animals are immobilized and die of exposure, starvation, etc.)  
33 Spotlight Shooting (using a spotlight at night to locate animals, and then shooting them)  
25 Handcaught  
25 Drive/Corral Traps  
7 Kill Traps (conibear body-grip traps placed underwater to capture and drown the animal)

- 7 Gas Cartridges
- 4 A/C Tablets
- 4 Snare Traps
- 1 Catch Pole
- 1 Gopher Traps
- 1 Culvert Trap

Sent from my Skully's iPhone

On Oct 21, 2019, at 10:37 AM, Charlotte Lipson [REDACTED] wrote:

Commissioners:

I strongly urge you to strengthen the rules covering trapping. Do not allow unlimited killing and injuring of wild animals including endangered species and domestic pets caught "by mistake."

Under present rules I understand that trappers are not liable if a family dog is hurt as a result of being trapped or if a human is injured rescuing their dog or a wild animal.

Charlotte Lipson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Charlotte Lipson [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 10:37:28 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Strengthen trapping rules

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Charlotte Lipson  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** V B [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:12:57 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping and Furbearer rule

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Game Commission of NM:

I am providing public comment on proposed revisions to the Trapping and Furbearer rule. The proposed changes (including mandatory trapper education, area closures, increased setback distances, and making the Trapping and Furbearer rule a four-year rule) are insufficient.

Consider your mission statement "ensuring public safety" in your decision.

*Our Mission*

*It is our mission "To conserve, regulate, propagate and protect the wildlife and fish within the state of New Mexico using a flexible **management system that ensures sustainable use for public food supply, recreation and safety**; and to provide for off-highway motor vehicle recreation that recognizes cultural, historic, and resource values while ensuring public safety."*

- There is no reason whatsoever for animal cruelty to be permitted in the rules.
- There is no reason for animals to be killed for their fur.
- The public food supply's "sustainability" is unaffected by these killings.
- Recreation and public safety are threatened by traps on our public lands.
- NM tourism is trying to promote healthy enjoyment of NM lands.

Thank you.  
Victoria Beardsley  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Marcia Miolano [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 12:26:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping and snares

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I am in opposition to trapping on public lands. These lands are used by a multitude of people and their pets. Using snares and other trapping devices puts both humans and their pets in danger.

In addition, it can be a very slow and lingering death to our wildlife-both targeted and "accidental" animals.

Thank you,

Marcia Miolano  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 10:15:21 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping in NM

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I understand there is a comment period for the rules of trapping in New Mexico. Like the majority of New Mexicans I oppose the continuation of trapping. It is indiscriminate in killing any animal that comes in contact with the baited trap. That includes, of course, any species that may be endangered or threatened. It should be banned completely on public lands where game and fish has authority. It is my hope that you will eliminate or at the very least, severely curtail the inhuman and barbaric use of metal claw traps in NM.

Thank you for taking my comments.

Marcus Whitson

[REDACTED]

**From:** Deborah Stark [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 06:29:44 PM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Legislation

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To whom it concerns;

Please ban all traps from our lands. The use of these primitive, cruel devices should be a thing from our history.

There is no need for them or necessary function in today's world.

They are only agents of cruelty and suffering for any and all that are caught, sadly including domestic animals.

We should be above using this archaic device.

Please make it illegal and ban their use!

Help us to step forward into the 21st century with greater compassion for other living creatures and the world we live in.

Sincerely,

Deborah Stark,

[REDACTED]

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[www.eulogytheextinctionproject.com](http://www.eulogytheextinctionproject.com)

**From:** Gloria L Hacker [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 01:32:34 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping on Public lands

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Attn: Game Commissioners, I am concerned about the plight of wildlife & even our canine companions caught inadvertently in traps set out to capture fur bearing animals, such as bobcats, fox, & badgers. These traps set out to capture animals for the commercial fur industry also entrap & cause much pain, suffering & death to other creatures, some of them endangered, caught by mistake in these traps. These traps have no place anywhere on our public lands. I hope that as you review the rules governing commercial & recreational trapping you will rule in favor of wildlife protection & public safety. Thank You, Gloria L Hacker

**From:** Annette Ahlander [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:42:40 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

I recently sent you comments about the insufferable cruelty of trapping, snaring, and poisoning inflicted not only on wild but domestic animals here in New Mexico; apparently my comments went in one ear and out the other. I suppose if a three-year old child were caught in one of these neck snares you wouldn't be so blase about it . . . or would you? I am more than angry that you dropped the charges against Roxy's killer: I am LIVID. I'd love to try to reason with you as to why we should end these horrific practices that make New Mexico look like we've been plunged back into the Dark Ages, but I doubt it would do any good. If you'd listen to your hearts and your conscience instead of ranchers, hunters, and the almighty dollar, this could never happen again. I've fought against vicious steel-jaw traps for almost 50 years . . . with painfully no relief in sight. Do you think that animals have no feeling? That's what it looks like to me. BTW, it is the duty and the OBLIGATION of the State of New Mexico to UPHOLD its anti-animal cruelty laws punishable by arrest, fines, and even prison time, should it come to that, but you "bloody" let the man off the hook. Seems that Donald Trump isn't the only one getting away with breaking the law.

Sincerely,  
Annette Ahlander

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Raleigh Koritz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 12:05:40 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Raleigh Koritz

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Cory Sites [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:34:43 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Let's ban this practice for good!

Sincerely,  
Cory Sites

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pascal Fromentin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 07:03:42 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Please use humane methods to control wildlife. Stop being Nazi monsters. Thanks! P.

Sincerely,  
Pascal Fromentin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Veronica B. [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:38:40 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Veronica B.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Debera Solis [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 07:24:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. They are too painful!!!

Sincerely,  
Debera Solis

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Michael Lawler [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:15:24 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

First of all, these are OUR lands, and you are tasked with protecting them and their natural inhabitants.

Secondly, trapping is cruel and unusual treatment that terrorizes animals for whom we are stewards.

Finally, trapping on OUR lands is evidence of sick and inhumane conduct by individuals who should find something constructive to do with their lives.

No more subsidizing sick human conduct on OUR lands!

Sincerely,  
Michael Lawler

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Judith Larson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:54:12 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Please strengthen the rules in New Mexico so that there can be no trapping or use of snares on public lands. They are a serious hazard to people and domestic animals that live near or are visiting those areas.

Sincerely,  
Judith Larson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Julia Thielert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 02:45:44 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps and snares are cruel, dangerous, indiscriminate, ecologically destructive, and have no place on the lands we all share.

Please ban them.

Sincerely,  
Julia Thielert

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Debra Curci [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 01:51:43 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a human being, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public and private land.

Trapping is barbaric, it serves no purpose, and frequently other animals are caught in them. It is archaic and I implore you to ban trapping now.

Sincerely,  
Debra Curci

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Sandra Garriott-Stejskal [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 01:23:00 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

There is no excuse for traps, snares, and poisons to be on public lands where hikers, tourists, and children and pets, and non targeted wild life get injured or die from being caught by these cruel trapping and killing practices. How many more photos must we see of these animals suffering alone in the wild. Please make changes to prevent these horrible trapping policies. Thank you for your consideration to this matter. New Mexico needs stronger anti-trapping regulations and consequences for people who put so many animals, pets, and people at risk for suffering horrific injuries and slow deaths.

Sincerely, Sandra Garriott-Stejskal.

Sincerely,  
Sandra Garriott-Stejskal

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Terrie Williams [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 10:07:22 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a concerned citizen, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Any public land. They are a horrifying, torturous devise that produces maximum pain and suffering to a helpless animal before death.

Traps and snares are a tool used in the trapping and fur industries that is NO LONGER NEEDED OR NECESSARY in our modern times.

Please get rid of them once and for all.

Sincerely,  
Terrie Williams

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Karen Tiliakos [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 08:59:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Please stop these cruel, indiscriminate traps. They are definitely inhumane and unnecessary. They bring havock upon intended and unintended habitat that have every right to survive in the wild without your horrific cruelty and torture. Their fur belongs to them, never to you. Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Karen Tiliakos

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Richard Bumstead [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 12:32:19 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rules and Regulations

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Commissioners  
New Mexico Department of Game and Fish  
Furbearer Rule Development

Dear Commissioners,

I grew up in the Rocky Mountains as the son of a wildlife biologist for the US Forest Service. He taught me the essential rules regarding the balance of nature, the role of predator and prey, and good sportsmanship when hunting, while serving at both the Forest (Coconino and Carson National Forests) and the Regional offices (Missoula, Montana and Albuquerque). I find it disheartening that trapping is still being sanctioned in New Mexico as it goes against all three of the lessons he taught me.

### **Balance of Nature**

Nature has evolved through the millennia to an equilibrium, and humankind has done much to disrupt this balance over the last 200+ years. Many species are on the brink of extinction and ecosystems teeter on collapse because of the disruption. A healthy planet and a healthy future depend on this balance of nature, and trapping targets specifically the predators in the food chain. When predators are removed, ecosystems cannot maintain their equilibrium and they suffer, often being susceptible to invasive species that are impossible to eradicate, thus creating yet another problem.

### **Predator and Prey**

The food chain is an essential element to a healthy ecosystem. The prey species evolved to provide food for the predators, who weed out the weak and infirm - survival of the fittest, keeping all species healthy. With trapping, the predators are targeted, and as such their prey faces fewer obstacles to reproduction leading to overpopulation of deer, rodents, and other mammals and birds, which in turn impacts their natural ecosystems and the crops planted by humans. I understand there is still the baked-in fear of predators by the livestock industry, but they must understand that to keep their livestock safe means keeping an eye on them (livestock grazing should be the lowest priority for any public lands). If there is a predation problem, there are other ways of addressing them, including targeted hunts.

### **Good Sportsmanship**

The first rule of hunting I was taught (although I never hunted, my father thought it was a lesson I should learn if I was to go out with him and my brother) was that you should always respect your target and provide a clean, quick kill. Trapping certainly provides neither. Whatever animal happens into the trap will suffer greatly as it waits for the trapper to check their traps, which should be within 24 hours if done according to rules, but most likely will not. The pain and suffering endured by the animal does not justify the means. The fur industry is in rapid decline as there is a shrinking market for the furs produced in trapping. Furriers are closing across the country as the next generations just don't equate fur with either warmth or luxury. And what about the non-targeted species? Trapping is indiscriminate, it takes whatever falls into its clenched jaws, including species that are endangered and fighting for a comeback in the rebuilding of their ecosystems.

While there is the argument that this is part of the history of the west and a family tradition, it is now the time to update that history by educated professionals tasked with managing the public lands and say goodbye to, but acknowledge, that family tradition. It would be an incredible accomplishment for the New Mexico Game and Fish Department and its Commission to set a new precedent and eliminate all trapping permits. It's time to look forward to a new era where we truly respect the legacy of overseeing the public lands we have been handed and to make them beneficial for ALL the public, and not just the few. The next generations are asking us to think through new ideas to ensure the survival of the planet they will inherit.

I appreciate your willingness to accept written public comment.

Thank you for your time.

**Richard C. Bumstead FASLA**

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**From:** Nancy & John Wachholz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:06:08 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping rules

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My name is John Wachholz. I am 81 years old and have been a wildlife photographer for most of my life. My wife, Nancy and I have lived in Silver City, NM for over 12 years.

When we were younger living in Wisconsin we hunted with both bow and arrow and guns.

In those years, we harvested deer, bear, game birds and waterfowl. We are not anti-hunting and believe hunting for food is a good thing for some people, although we would never call it a 'sport'.

When in Wisconsin as well as New Mexico we have spent many hours and days in the forest and BLM lands. I, myself, have come across unattended traps which have snared numerous animals and birds - left to die agonizing and cruel deaths. A trap, by its nature, is not like a hunter with gun or bow and arrow, and cannot determine what it is going to kill. Many traps I found had only unrecognizable bones and it was impossible to even tell what kind of bird or mammal lost its life.

We don't care what kind of trap it is, it is a weapon that causes a horrible and inhumane way to suffer and die. When you see this for yourself, with your own eyes, it leaves a lasting impression.

We also do not believe trapping should be allowed on any public OR private lands. It is not a harvest for food nor a sporting activity in any form.

It is time to rethink this antiquated and cruel activity... trapping must be banned.

John and Nancy Wachholz

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Melissa Savage [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 01:58:33 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rules

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Dear Game Commission,

I believe it is time to control the furbearer trapping activities in our State to a more current approach. Indiscriminant placement of traps in forests where people and pets may step into them should be a thing of the past. Even allowing trapping of common regulators of ecosystems, such as bobcats and beavers, without bag limits is obviously not a good idea in this era. Trappers helped establish this territory hundreds of years ago, but this kind of wild west activity is no longer appropriate. Especially in a State which earns part of its keep from outdoor tourism. And the economic benefits of outdoor tourism vastly exceeds the benefit of a few active trappers.

Please take a serious look at reforming the rules that apply to furbearer trapping.

Thank you,

Melissa Savage  
[REDACTED]

**From:** A Rush [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 05:51:34 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rules

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Dear, New Mexico Game Commission,

Traps and snares are cruel and indiscriminate. They have no place on our public land. Please eliminate trapping on all public land.

Regards,  
Alice Rush

**From:** Anne Rielbi [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 07:29:45 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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NM Game and Fish Department  
Furbearer Rule Development  
PO Box 25112  
Santa Fe, NM 87504

To Whom it May Concern:

I understand there is a comment period for the rules of trapping in New Mexico. Like the majority of New Mexicans, I oppose the continuation of trapping. The problem with setting traps is that any animal that enters the baited trap will be killed. Endangered or threatened species are at risk of losing their lives in the traps that were unintended for them. It should be banned completely on public lands where the game and fish department has authority. It is my hope that you will eliminate or at the very least, severely curtail the inhuman and barbaric use of metal claw traps in NM.

Signed,  
Anne Rielbi

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** David Donohue [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 10:45:50 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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I write to strongly oppose the inhumane practice of trapping on public lands in New Mexico.

David Donohue

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** EL Camp [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 03:23:42 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping

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I'm opposed to the indiscriminate practice of fur trapping on both public and private lands.  
STOP THIS CRUEL, DISGRACEFUL PRACTICE NOW!

E Camp  
[REDACTED]

**From:** William Byhower [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 09:33:15 AM  
**Subject:** [EXT] Traps and the public don't mix!-Tell Game Commission to ban all trapping please!

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This is wrong:

If these inadequate proposals stand, New Mexico will still allow unlimited killing of any "furbearing" species like foxes, bobcats and badgers, so trappers can make as much money as possible from the sale of their pelts. Wildlife species will still be caught by mistake, including endangered animals like the Mexican wolf. The by-catch of unintended species like javelina, cougars, bears, squirrels, porcupines and birds will still go unrecorded and uncounted. Trappers will still not be held liable if a canine companion is hurt as a result of being trapped or if a human is injured rescuing their dog.

*William F. Byhower*  
*New Mexico State University*

**From:** Jen Nitz [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:13:45 PM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us [REDACTED]; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Traps on New Mexico Public Lands

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I urge you to put a ban on trapping on New Mexico public lands.

Trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and self-amputation.

Trapping is **indiscriminate**: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.

Trapping is **a public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in amputation and, in two cases, death. Traps are also a danger to people.

Trapping is **a drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as they want and are not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Trapping is outdated, indiscriminate and cruel. Ban trapping on public lands.

Jennifer Nitz

**From:** Charles Clements [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 02:29:46 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Traps on public lands

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Having grown up in the Rocky Mountains, I'm pretty familiar with various kinds of traps. None of them have any intelligence. All trap whatever triggers the trap; all animals and humans can trigger them. Public lands are called that because they are open to the public. Hence any traps on public lands are a public hazard. They kill, maim or hold the victim so that they are helpless against a predator. To use them is at the very least criminal assault. At the worst the use is homicide. Traps should only used on private lands and those lands should be fenced and marked thoroughly.

Please eliminate the use of traps on public lands. If a person makes his living from trapping, he should do it like the rest of us: he should present on site while he/she is working! We do not allow the random use of public lands for business enterprise; trapping is a business enterprise.

Thanks for your time.

Charles Clements



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**From:** Claudette Dubois [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 04:25:49 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Traps

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Traps really need to be totally banned in this state. Its cruel and unnecessary. All animals are innocent and dont deserve to be tortured to death. In reality no one needs to wear fur except animals. Enough animals die natural deaths per year to supply fur clothing to the dwindling number of callous humans who still wear fur.

Ban traps of all types in New Mexico. Save our wild life. Protect our pets

Claudette DuBois [REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Rainer Rumold [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 10:42:06 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Cc:** incarumold@gmail.com; Danila Rumold <daniarumold@gmail.com>  
**Subject:** [EXT] who would like to have his/her dog trapped in NM?

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Gentlemen & Gentlewomen,

it is time to outlaw archaic, brutal torture of all animals in New Mexico. Elsewhere in the U.S. we are no longer in the 19th century with that kind of malpractice!

Hunting animals with gun or bow and arrow at least allows the hunter to see his/her prey - and proceed with judgment.

Would you like to see your off-the-leash dog trapped ( sometimes for days!) in NM? If not, please move to update our hunting morale.

R.Rumold

**From:** Soules, David, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:26:49 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] NO traps and snares on public land

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Please see email thread below.

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**From:** Tito Meyer [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 21, 2019 9:40 AM  
**To:** Soules, David, DGF  
**Subject:** Re: [EXT] NO traps and snares on public land

Hi David.

I believe the commission has the power and the duty to address trapping and snares on public land. I believe ethical hunters have plenty of opportunity to take game animals without these two lazy and cruel ways. Hunting for food is fine with me. Traps and snares are not hunting.

Thanks for responding to my email. Tito Meyer

On 10/20/2019 7:52 PM, Soules, David, DGF wrote:

Hi Tito:

This is David Soules. Thank you for your input. If you would like to discuss trapping in New Mexico I would be happy to talk with you. I am particularly interested in your view of whether something such as an outright ban should be done through the legislative process versus a commission, which I believe is more of a rule-making body.

Best regards,  
David

[REDACTED] (If I don't answer, please text me.)

**From:** Tito Meyer [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 20, 2019 4:11 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] NO traps and snares on public land

Traps and snares are cruel and dangerous. Please completely outlaw them on our public land. The proposed changes are insufficient and in some ways worse. Please say no to snares and traps!

Thank you, Tito Meyer

**From:** Soules, David, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:38:54 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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See below.

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**Sent:** Sunday, October 20, 2019 6:26 PM

**To:** Soules, David, DGF

**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

Dear David Soules,

Please pay attention. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Phyllis Wilcox

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Soules, David, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:43:19 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Please see below.

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**From:** Michael Lawler [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 20, 2019 4:15 PM  
**To:** Soules, David, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

Dear Commissioner David Soules,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

First of all, these are OUR lands, and you are tasked with protecting them and their natural inhabitants.

Secondly, trapping is cruel and unusual treatment that terrorizes animals for whom we are stewards.

Finally, trapping on OUR lands is evidence of sick and inhumane conduct by individuals who should find something constructive to do with their lives.

No more subsidizing sick human conduct on OUR lands!

Sincerely,  
Michael Lawler

[REDACTED]

**From:** Soules, David, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 07:17:20 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Fw: Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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See below.

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**From:** Bronwyn Poole [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 20, 2019 7:15 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

Please pass comprehensive legislation to ban trapping. It's inhumane and unnecessary.

Thanks,  
Bronwyn

Bronwyn T. Poole  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Soules, David, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/21/2019 11:29:33 AM  
**To:** Chance Thedford [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Re: [EXT] NMTA

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Thank you Chance. I appreciate the proactive stance of NMTA.

David

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From: Chance Thedford [REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, October 21, 2019 7:32 AM

To: Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Soules, David, DGF

Subject: [EXT] NMTA

To: New Mexico Game Commission

In lieu of the court dismissing the charges against Marty Sandoval for illegally trapping in Santa Cruz Lake Recreation area, myself and the NMTA Board of Directors would like to let you know our feelings on this.

We never have and never will condone illegal or unethical trapping. The ninety nine percent of legal trappers in New Mexico have suffered greatly because of the one percent of people who have no regard for ethics, laws or the well being of furbearers in our state. We are very disappointed in the dismissal of these charges and once again we are the ones to suffer. The NMTA strongly encourages the commission to direct the Department to aggressively pursue refiling charges and seek a successful prosecution of this case.

Below I have written our expectation of members, which is written on every membership form and is on our website.

Our motto Promoting wise use of our natural resources is on our banners.

The NMTA expects its members to be: lawful, always following NM trapping statutes and rules; respectful/ thoughtful of other trappers, users, and landowners; and ever diligent in improving their equipment and techniques to ensure the ethical capture, treatment and/or dispatch of the animals they encounter on the trapline.

Chance Thedford

President NMTA

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Mary Lou Edward [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 11:54:15 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] against trapping

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Hello—I want to add my voice which is totally against trapping in the state of NM. It is cruel and must be stopped!

Mary Lou Edward

**From:** Michael Krasnow [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 09:00:24 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Cc:** Michael Krasnow <mskrasnow@gmail.com>  
**Subject:** [EXT] Animal trapping rules.

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I am art Pea to support the proposal to require traps to be set at least one half mile from designated trailheads, picnic areas and public campgrounds. In addition, traps should be prohibited in the Sandia Ranger district, the eastern portion of the Organ Mountain-Peaks National Monument and areas of the Santa Fe and Carson National forests.

**From:** Tessa Dowell [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 09:46:45 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please ban traps from all public lands. The cruelty of traps is  
barbaric and inexcusable.

Tessa

Tessa Dowell  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Greg P <[REDACTED]>

**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 11:20:55 AM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Commissioners,

I hope you are well and in good spirits.

I am emailing simply to ask you to ban animal traps from all public lands belonging to New Mexico.

Thank you kindly for you time and energy given to this matter.

Sincerely,  
Greg Corning

[REDACTED]

**From:** Ian Rosenkranz [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 02:26:35 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Year after year and still here we are. Is it so hard to ban trapping? How much cruelty will you allow before you become so small you disappear? If you don't stop suffering you cause suffering. Simple. The time is now. Step up or step aside.

**From:** jackie coombes [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 10:11:45 PM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us [REDACTED] Salazar-Henry, Roberta,  
DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please ban the trapping on public lands. I routinely hike with my dog and grandchildren. Traps are dangerous to pets and children. The trappers are irresponsible and cruel. Please ban them. Thank you, Jackie Coombes [REDACTED]

**From:** Leslie Dimmick [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 11:22:59 AM  
**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Madams and Sirs:

In a world where human behavior has contributed to rapid decline (near 50% since 1970) of wildlife, birds, reptiles, amphibians, and insects do we really need to support another cruel method of slaughter inherent in their extinction? The vast majority of your constituents cherish these living creatures, please know our hearts and minds and do not pander to the few vociferous relics whose idea of fun is indiscriminate torture and prolonged death. Ban trapping. It is the right thing to do.

Respectfully,

Leslie R. Dimmick

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Donald Helfrich [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 08:19:53 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Hello,

I am a Biogeographer and I teach at CNM. Trapping is a non-specific targeting mechanism that is horrific in its cruelty. Please see reason and compassion and outlaw trapping on public lands. My students are universally appalled when I give them the details of their home state in this matter.

Thank you,  
Don Helfrich

**From:** Rebecca M Summer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 08:09:36 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Change hunting/trapping

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Our Gila National Forest and wildernesses are suffering from extreme hunting and trapping. Please change the rules as soon as possible. We, the citizens of NM, strongly want to have our wildlife corridors, wildlife habitats, and biodiversity back as a dynamic AND healthy ecosystem.

Thank you for considering this request. If nothing is done, we lose more than we can imagine.

Rebecca M Summer, PhD  
Richard Ducotey  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jennifer Goyette [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 01:35:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] End trapping on public land / comments on rules

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Hello,

I am writing to express my concern regarding trapping in New Mexico. I live adjacent to public land and I run an annual youth program on public land. Two years ago a student stepped on an abandoned trap. The only reason the story did not end poorly is that it was so old it had rusted.

Trapping practices are out of date and inhumane.

Further, I expect to be able to walk on public lands, across the street from my home, without human caused injury to myself and to my pets.

I am copying decision points below - all of which I agree with.

New Mexico needs to make responsible decisions that serve everyone - not just a few people who don't want to change their trapping practices.

Jennifer Goyette  
[REDACTED]

- Trapping is **cruel**: trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.
- Trapping is **indiscriminate**: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.
- Trapping is **a public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in [amputation](#) and, in [two cases](#), death. Traps are a danger to people too.
- Trapping is **a drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

**From:** Kelli Guider [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 01:15:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] I support a trap-free New Mexico

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Trapping is cruel and often hurts beloved pets and other unintended victims. As a resident of New Mexico, I want all public lands to be trap-free.

Kelli Guider  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Kelli Guider  
[REDACTED]

*Vegan for the animals.*

**From:** Tim Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 01:42:18 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] leg trapping legislation

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Greetings,

my name is Tim Johnson. I was born and raised in NM, I am 62.

The worst time that I have ever spent in the company of an animal occurred while hiking on Forest Road 280 in the Jemez- Peralta Canyon- on a snowy winter day, a few years back.

I was hiking up the road with my Siberian husky, Lishka, in 14" of new snow. She was in her element in the snow, and loving it. She was off leash, as she was well behaved, and the road was empty of fellow hikers that day.

Our hike was horribly interrupted when I heard a wailing scream from the snowy woods. I removed my skis and ran towards the continuous wailing. I found my dog was the source: she was caught in a leg trap and was in a raging, biting panic. She was in danger of tearing her leg off, she was so distraught. I tried to approach her in her terror. In her confusion, she attacked me. I was completely at a loss what to do. I started peeling off layers of jackets and sweaters and I smothered her in the clothing, which is not an easy task with a completely out of her mind, 80 pound husky. It was awful! I managed to bear down on her, there was no calming her. She bit me through the clothing in the confusion. Can you imagine that?! Then I had to figure out how to release the trap, which took some doing. The entire time she was screaming for her life.

At last I pried the jaws open just enough to release her. Fortunately, she was not severely injured. That was only because I was there, I surmised, to free her within 15 Minutes.

This episode did not end there. Lishka was emotionally affected for months, if not years. She displayed a nervousness in the woods following that brutal day. She had a limp for quite a period after as well. I was thoroughly ravaged and wounded inside. As I said before, it was my worst moment with an animal, and frankly, perhaps the worst 15 minutes of my life. Worse than when my wife died, with me as a witness, the two of us alone in a room. Certainly it was the worst day for my husky. The experience has stayed with me ever since. I am quick to return to memories of that day and the hatred for that cold steel trap is always with me.

The experience also made me realize just how primitive and utterly cruel those barbaric leg traps are. I can't imagine the suffering that has happened countless times in our history. And sometimes the animal is trapped for hours or days. There is not a more inhumane method to trap an animal. And when the trapper arrives at the trap, sometimes to find a torn off leg; if the animal hasn't succumbed to the horrific experience, it suffers the indignity of being shot, without having the freedom to run.

This is crude technology goes way back in our history. Lewis and Clark employed the leg trap. I would argue, that we are now in the 21st century, fellow citizens. This practice is utterly atrocious, and we can do better. Way better. We are no longer primitives, though such behavior does make me wonder. We can close our eyes to this, which has been the trend for far too long, or we can use this important moment to make change for the better.

The efforts to create safe zones for trappers, away from the public and their animals is mis-guided in my opinion. The practice is so utterly barbaric, that it needs to be banned out right. The argument that trapping is a reasonable income for some is both specious and wrong. Studies show that very few in New Mexico rely on trapping for their primary income. There may be almost none. This is not about eliminating potential income. This is about doing what is right and just. I am not for eliminating a trapper's right to kill fur bearing animals, I am for eliminating leg traps. Give them guns, give them live traps. Give the animals the dignity that they deserve. The argument in favor of eliminating leg traps all together is supported by a much larger population in New Mexico, than those in favor of leg traps. Please listen to the people. Have a vote, take a poll. Give us a chance to see democracy work.

most sincerely, thank you for your attention.

I am ready and willing to testify concerning this awful day in the past, and I am available to help the efforts in any way I can. Should you wish to contact me:

Tim Johnson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Diana Zelnio [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 04:10:50 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] My take

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To the Commissioners:

My opinion on trapping rates very low. My understanding is that we are one of the very few states in the nation that still allows this barbaric, outdated practice to continue. (Doesn't that tell you something?) Apparently giving in to the pressure of certain groups dominates. Please enter the modern world and acknowledge the cruelty involved in allowing trapping to continue.

Diana Zelnio

**From:** Jonathan Elliott [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 11:20:22 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] No More Traps

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Please make New Mexico "Fair Chase" only and Abolish Fur Trapping.

Jonathan Elliott  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Stephen Rose [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 10:07:57 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

The trapping proposal is far too weak. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Stephen Rose

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Lawry Sager [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 10:21:49 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

Looking at the current roster of the New Mexico Game Commission one would think that some degree of biological and common sense considerations would enter into its decision making process. But that would not seem to be the case if the political appointees of the commission were swayed by the uninformed nineteenth century rhetoric we heard espoused by supporters of traps, snares, and poisons from the Roundhouse steps during the last legislative session. I am well aware that New Mexico is still a poor state and that it is often more than difficult to gain employment here, especially in the far flung rural villages; and that, yes, some people do manage to eke out, or supplement, their livings by trapping furbearers. But at what cost to the environmental dynamics that nature strives to maintain in the face of the "development" and sprawl that threatens virtually every biome within this state? (I do not consider the protection of at-large household pets to be a valid reason to allow the killing of natural predators: those losses are the responsibility of pet owners who, through ignorance or defiance, disregard laws, regulations and the dictates of common sense). Painting trappers as protectors of the environment simply doesn't work: this was made painfully obvious to me several years ago, when, living in the San Pedro Mountains of southern Santa Fe County, I came upon a (barely) live gray fox in a leg-hold trap. Although it had been six days since the last snowfall, there were no tracks other than my own anywhere in the vicinity; not the fox's, and certainly not the trappers..a week of needless pain, and a slow death. I still see it whenever I come upon an untended trap.

We still see livestock allowed to calve in unprotected areas of leased State and Federal lands, a condition that would seem to tempt any large predator, and one that could be addressed without the removal of any and all such predators by lethal means, one would think.

Even as the NMDGF still "enjoys" the reputation of being a "Hook and Bullet Club" there is a rather robust Conservation arm whose research should be included in proposals such as that concerning the continued use of leg-hold traps, snares, and poisons that persist in our environment (to continue killing). Game commission decisions are not infallible: it has taken decades to rebuild our deer herds after a doe hunt was allowed several decades ago;

after a comprehensive survey of mountain lions found far fewer animals than had been expected, the Commission allowed the former high limits of killing to continue; and, more recently, while researchers in the field were noting a precipitous decline in Lesser Prairie-chicken numbers, the Commission proposed reopening a season on them (even in the absence of public demand). I urge this Commission to do away with the wanton, inhumane killing of our wildlife by means of archaic traps, snares and forever poisons.

Respectfully,

Sincerely,

Lawry Sager

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Richard Spotts [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 10:47:57 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Richard Spotts

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mindy Newby [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 12:53:49 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Mindy Newby

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Diane Paolazzi [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 03:43:50 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Diane Paolazzi

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bethany Cole [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 01:51:02 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Public Safety

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Dear Game Commission,

Requesting for you to vote NO on trapping animals on public lands. This is a public safety threat, as well as the obvious threat to wildlife. Wildlife not intended to be trapped will also be killed. Besides the fact that this is an archaic and brutal form of hunting that causes agonizing pain and misery for untold hours and days to innocent animals before dying, this could also happen to someone's pet, child or adult.

New Mexico, you can do better than this. The overwhelming majority of citizens of the great state of New Mexico want you to vote NO on the senseless trapping of innocent wildlife.

Thank you,  
Bethany Perra

**From:** randy summers [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 07:44:36 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping in NM

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traps and the public don't mix!

If these inadequate proposals stand, New Mexico will still allow unlimited killing of any "furbearing" species like foxes, bobcats and badgers, so trappers can make as much money as possible from the sale of their pelts. Wildlife species will still be caught by mistake, including endangered animals like the Mexican wolf. The by-catch of unintended species like javelina, cougars, bears, squirrels, porcupines and birds will still go unrecorded and uncounted. Trappers will still not be held liable if a canine companion is hurt as a result of being trapped or if a human is injured rescuing their dog.

Ban trapping

**From:** Paola Castano [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 08:57:56 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Traps and snares are cruel, dangerous, indiscriminate, ecologically destructive, and have no place on the lands we all share.

thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,  
Paola Castano

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gale Murphy [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 07:39:53 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. ABOLISH ALL TRAPPING AND SNARING.

Sincerely,  
Gale Murphy

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Pascal Fromentin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 06:57:57 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Pascal Fromentin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** James F. Emery [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 11:49:37 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rules Update Comment.

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Dear Commissioners;

The justification for trapping is long past!

Routine trapping serves no legitimate purpose. It is perpetuated by a small group of people who claim financial gain, tradition and who enjoy or, at least, are inured to the pain & suffering they intentionally cause their prey before the animal dies, usually in agony. Even if I don't like it, a reasoned case can be made for regulated seasonal hunting. No similarly reasoned case can be made for trapping.

It is cruel.

It is torture.

It is barbaric.

It is unnecessary.

Stop Trapping Wherever You Have the Power To Do So!

Please.

Respectively submitted.

James F. Emery

**From:** nancy and john [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 11:32:32 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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Thank you for the opportunity to express my opinion on trapping. As a former hunter who has harvested deer and bear and a hiker who has spent many hours in the backcountry, I feel obligated and qualified to make the following comments. First of all, mink and fox farms are regulated as to the humane way in which they kill those animals. There are however, no such rules for trappers. When the animal is caught in a trap but is not dead by the time the trap is checked, in many cases after the victim has already suffered often for days, it is beaten to death with a bat or hammer. A gun is not used because the trapper does not want to damage the pelt. A trap is an indiscriminate maimer and killer, it has no way of telling what it catches. Our pets, as well as hawks, owls, and endangered species can and do all fall victim to a trap. It's not like hunting, where the hunter controls what is being killed. Many animals are left to suffer and die, as there is no way that a Game Warden, or anyone can possibly find all the hidden traps to police this activity. It is mostly uncontrolled and the rules of fair play are broken all the time. Today's needs as well as our civilization, have advanced from the times of this bloodthirsty activity. The State condones this behavior by issuing licenses for activity they cannot control. Trapping anywhere should be outlawed. Thank you,

Nancy Wachholz  
[REDACTED]

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

**From:** John and Barbara Chaney [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 09:14:10 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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We are writing to urge you to ban all trapping and use of snares on public lands. It's past time for our state to recognize that, for the profit of a tiny number of trappers, these barbaric practices must stop! Please, let's evolve as a state and adopt humane behavior while dealing with wildlife on lands that are publicly owned.

Thank you for your attention and consideration,

Barbara and John Chaney  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Allison Lemos [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 10:25:34 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] use of traps

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I am opposed to using traps anywhere for wolves and other predators, Traps are cruel and dangerous to human and dogs, as well as wild animals. Traps do not discriminate as to who falls into them. Such traps should be banned on all public lands.

Allison Lemos  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Bickford, Tristanna, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/23/2019 04:40:17 PM  
**To:** Mary Hunsicker [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Re: [EXT] trapping

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Mary,

Thank you four sending us your comments. I am forwarding them to the official rule email address for recording.

Tristanna

**Tristanna Bickford**

Communications Director, Information and Education Division

New Mexico Department of Game and Fish

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On Oct 23, 2019, at 2:21 PM, Mary Hunsicker [REDACTED] wrote:

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Greetings, I'm writing to voice my objection to trapping in general. It is impossible to discriminate between animals that get caught in traps, witness how many dogs have gotten trapped while out with owners. It is barbaric, takes no skill and is inhumane. How can anyone gauge the suffering of animals caught waiting to die or get killed when the trap's owner finally does show up. It does nothing to promote New Mexico's attractions, just puts us at the top of yet another list of things that are shameful. Doesn't our law against cruelty to animals cover this?

Respectfully,

Mary Ellen Hunsicker

**From:** Pam Neely [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:49:33 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Thank you for working so hard to protect New Mexico's public lands.

I have been hiking in the Sangre de Cristo mountains for nearly 15 years now, and have covered the terrain from Santa Fe to Taos and back. I always take a dog with me. Fortunately, he has not yet tripped a trap. Fortunately, I haven't tripped a trap either while bushwacking or looking for a campsite. But when I got my Wilderness First Responder certification earlier this year, tripping a trap was one of the reasons to get it.

We all really do deserve to go for a walk in the woods without threat to life and limb - literally. Please end this lunacy. Ban trapping in public lands. All public lands. Now.

Warm Regards,  
Pam Neely  
homeowner, voter, hiker

**From:** kris Harden [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:43:57 PM

**To:** Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing you today to ask that you ban wildlife trapping and animal traps on all public lands in New Mexico. Wildlife is a public resource and one of our state's greatest treasures. Trapping is cruel. Trapped animals endure intense pain and suffering including but not limited to starvation, broken bones and dislocations. Because of developments in neurological and behavioral sciences, we know that all mammals share our primary and many of our secondary emotions. It is our responsibility to diminish such cruelty and torture of animals at the hands of humans.

Trapping is indiscriminate causing non-target animals including domestic animals to be maimed and severely injured. Traps are a public health hazard and should not be a source for private profit in our state. Key ecosystem engineers are lost to trapping every year, wreaking havoc on our public landscapes and native species. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax and are not held liable for killing or harming unintended trapped animals.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,  
Kristin A. Harden

[REDACTED]

**From:** Deborah Bristow [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 11:59:07 AM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us@state.nm.us@state.nm.us@state.nm.us@state.nm.us@state.nm.us@state.nm.us@state.nm.us; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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YES, please stop trapping the wild animals in New Mexico.

Deborah Bristow

**From:** Dawn Czapski [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:34:06 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

These animals are sentient beings with feelings. It is extremely cruel to trap them. It is the people who do this that I think need to be trapped as they do not have any conscience and are dangerous.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Dawn Czapski

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Pamela Quay [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:57:33 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

The image, the idea, the thought of any living being suffering so much pain by being caught in a trap breaks my heart and diminishes my faith in the dignity of humans as caretakers of the Earth.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Pamela Quay

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Patricia Heck [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:59:56 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

New Mexico depends on tourists. They consider leg hold traps barbaric. That's not the image that attracts them.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patricia Heck

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jacqueline Cardona [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:49:43 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jacqueline Cardona

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Barbara Rivers [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:45:58 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

There is no humane reason we should allow trapping to continue. It is cruel for any animal to die that way.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Barbara Rivers

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** C. H. [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:52:08 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This is cruel and dangerous for people and our pets as well as wildlife. NO on commercial and the unimaginable "recreational" trapping. How sick.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

C. H.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sue Barnum [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:35:09 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sue Barnum

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Cynthia Edney [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:39:03 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Edney

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** James Cooke ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:52:36 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

James Cooke

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Diane Staynet [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:38:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

None of God's creatures deserves to be tortured. It makes Him weep.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Diane Staynet

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Glenn Yocum [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:41:46 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Glenn Yocum

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Diane Bloom [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:48:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

The public lands are the domain of the public. To safeguard against any and all injuries no traps must be allowed

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Diane Bloom

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Gloria Constantin [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:04:17 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gloria Constantin

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Susan Jory [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:01:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Susan Jory

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jessica Jakubanis [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:05:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jessica Jakubanis

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Karla Larsen ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:08:50 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Karla Larsen

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Richard Prosapio [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:11:22 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This kind of thing has gone on long enough. Let's move New Mexico into the 21st century and let us become a trap-free state. We need the positive P.R. Let us stop being last on every positive list and be FIRST for a change...for us and for our wonderful wildlife!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Richard Prosapio

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Katie Johnson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:17:23 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Katie Johnson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jaune Smith ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:12:36 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Why do people need to trap foxes, bobcats, badgers, wolves--there is no good reason further the danger to our household pets and ourselves puts all of us at risk. We need our natural world. Humans are devastating all of it.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jaune Smith

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Edward Leblanc [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:17:59 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

When hiking on public land, I sometimes venture away from established trails, and I worry about traps that could hurt me, my children or domestic animals. I worry about traps indiscriminately catching non-target animals, especially endangered or protected species.

Trapping may have been defensible a hundred years ago, but it is simply not consistent with our modern society, and environment.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Edward Leblanc

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Susan Holman [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:18:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Susan Holman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Erika Wanenmacher [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:21:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Erika Wanenmacher

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Dianne Stromberg [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:53:15 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It is unacceptable to hurt other animals in this cruel way.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Dianne Stromberg

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jeff Pfohl [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:22:46 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jeff Pfohl

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jeri Oliver [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:23:16 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jeri Oliver

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Charles Callahan [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:23:50 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping for profit isn't just obscene, it's also obsolete, unless your purpose is to have a photo of you, smiling, with one of your boots on the head of a dead cougar.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Charles Callahan

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Michael New [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:24:22 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This trapping thing is so out of sync with any respectable behaviors. When there was abundant game, and frontiers to occupy, it made sense. Now it is just wanton cruelty for the sake of killing. Wake up! it is not 1900 anymore.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Michael New

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Laura Ramirez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:25:36 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

My personal thoughts are these: It is unfortunate that we, the human race, said to have evolved and become a superior living being can use traps and snares! This is cruel, torture, and inhumane! This makes me ponder who the real ?animals? are. Stop the senseless torture and killing of our precious wildlife, pets, and us!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Laura Ramirez

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** David Mccoy [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:27:23 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Mccoy

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jacqueline Duke [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:27:52 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Such beautiful creatures suffering in a trap, dying of starvation or chewing off a foot to escape is simply unbearable. Please ban all trapping and let trappers know that it is not virtuous to kill in such a manner.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jacqueline Duke

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carol Newton ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:30:38 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is incredibly cruel and harmful to the ecosystem.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carol Newton

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Roger Southward [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:31:50 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Roger Southward

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Peter Kinney [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:53:20 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Peter Kinney

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Karin Turro [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:31:53 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I spend a lot of time in the NM wilderness riding my horse and fly-fishing. I am aware and concerned by the absence of many of the wildlife I used to see 10-15 years ago. There were beaver ponds on many high country streams, Santa Barbara, Rio Medio, El Provenir, Rio Cebolla to name just a few. I have not seen beavers in years or run into a badger for over a decade. Could this be because of over-trapping? I think so. I would like to see more trapping restrictions and accountability for other animals caught in traps by mistake.

Concerned, Karin Turro

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Madeline Aron [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:32:12 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Causing animals to suffer for monetary gain or fun(so-called "recreation") is disgusting and immoral. It is a known fact that lack of empathy for animals extrapolates to lack of empathy fellow humans.

May you have the integrity to do the right thing.

Sincerely,

Madeline Aron

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Randy Kenyon [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:32:19 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It's an outdated, inhumane practice that needs to be outlawed!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Randy Kenyon

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Alexandra Miraba [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:36:09 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Alexandra Mirabal

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Andrew Abate ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:36:05 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Andrew Abate

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rose Busterna ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:42:15 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rose Busterna

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jan Avent [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:43:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please prohibit trapping on public lands so I can enjoy seeing animals in their habitats. As a bird watcher and hiker, I expect to hike without fear of stumbling upon a trap or snare and to ensure that my greyhound will not be harmed. Trapping is inhumane and it is not the image I want others to have about New Mexicans.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jan Avent

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Susan Sita [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:43:42 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Susan Sita

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Caren Garcia [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:43:59 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please understand that your concern is appreciated, but I believe the measure does not go far enough to address real concerns about wildlife endangered by cruel, outdated traps. Traps are indiscriminate, they don't know who or what has triggered them. This fact alone is good reason to ban their use on public lands.

Thank you for hearing my views on this issue.

Caren Garcia

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Caren Garcia

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Richard Khanlian ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:50:07 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping may have been justified when New Mexico was a sparsely populated frontier, but it is a cruel anachronism now.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Richard Khanlian

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jo Ann Hakola ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:53:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Stop infringing on the wilderness areas. Don't drive all the animal extinct.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jo Ann Hakola

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Evalyn Bemis [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:50:40 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This is the 21st century. There is no place for commercial trapping anymore - fake fur is available in spades for anyone who still thinks they are more impressive adorned in such. And recreational? Can there really be such a thing that requires inordinate suffering and cruelty to animals?

Lastly, for these very small numbers of trappers who insist they are upholding a tradition or putting their kids through college by trapping, I apologize but still say phooey. Wildlife on public lands is a public trust, and not to be harvested by the few for private consumption.

The day is coming when the public will demand an end to trapping in New Mexico; at the least on public lands. You can be the heroes who recognize where we are headed and make the rule changes or be the ones afraid to take meaningful action. Your choice.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Evalyn Bemis

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Robert Pierce [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:59:41 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Robert Pierce

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Artie Alfreds [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:51:31 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I abhor the cruel trapping of any animal.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Artie Alfreds

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Richard Epstein [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:11:08 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping where the public can encounter the traps is very dangerous. One time a dog I had got caught in a trap. It was a big trap. He was howling and I went to get him out. I had no idea how traps work, so I couldn't figure out how to open it. I pried open the jaws of the trap with my hands, and my dog got his paw out but my finger got caught in the jaws as they closed. I could not open the trap. Finally, after about 5 minutes or more I figured out how to open the trap with the levers with my feet. I went to the emergency room of the hospital and almost lost a finger. There is no good reason for using traps in the face of such dangers. Consider also children.

Thank you, Dr. Richard L. Epstein

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Richard Epstein

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Dorothy Moloney [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:11:19 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps and snares are cruel, indiscriminate and exploitative of our wildlife. They have no place on public land.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Moloney

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jane Sawina [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:13:17 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jane Sawina

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Joanne Harris [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:13:33 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please stop the inhumane trapping.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joanne Harris

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** James Fydrych [REDACTED] You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:14:23 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Leg traps are cruel to wildlife and dangerous to humans. Please ban leg traps.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

James Fydrych

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Lynn Olson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:15:19 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

There are too many people, too many domestic animals and too few wild ones in the woods in this day and age to use these incredibly cruel devices. Stop it everywhere.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Lynn Olson

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Michelle Tan [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:15:31 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Let's keep public lands public.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Michelle Tan

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Virginia Mccoy [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:53:47 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I have been a resident of New Mexico for 26 years. I live in Mimbres on the edge of the Gila Wilderness and Aldo Leopoldo wilderness. I moved here for access to the wilderness, for camping, hiking and just enjoying. I have seen the effects of trapping and they are brutal, horrific, cruel and no longer necessary . It needs to stop. let us begin to treat our animal kingdom with respect and awe! Stop this unacceptable practice.??

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Virginia Mccoy

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** E Scantlebury [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:16:15 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

E Scantlebury

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Emily Rothman [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:16:37 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Emily Rothman

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Moriah Williams ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:19:56 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Moriah Williams

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** David Morrison ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:23:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping restrictions need to be increased due to pet owners increased recreational use in NM.

Trapping restrictions need to be increased due to increasing number of species facing increasing threats such as climate change.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Morrison

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Steve Hanes ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:25:09 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I am an avid hiker and often deviate off trail to explore, find shortcuts, and hike in remote areas of the state. I am fearful of my dog or myself being injured by a trap. I also value NM wildlife and would rather see animals than traps. Traps are dangerous and do not belong on public land. Please stop the trapping on public lands in our state.

Thank you for your attention to this issue.

Best Regards,

Steve Hanes

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Steve Hanes

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carol Benson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:27:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It is just too brutal and ugly for words. That these traps can catch domestic animals and even a preoccupied person! makes it doubly inhumane

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carol Benson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Bryan Romkey [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:30:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

My dogs have been caught in leg hold traps. Stop all trapping now!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Bryan Romkey

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Pat Duncan [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:32:00 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

No traps on public lands period.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Pat Duncan

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joan Rogers [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:31:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

My Search-and-Rescue dog was caught in a trap, near a well-used trail. It didn't do permanent damage, but it was very traumatic for her. Later, I heard of a number of other dogs who had also been caught in traps. Leg traps are inhumane for any animal, and I would very much like to see them made illegal on all public land. There are more humane traps made for animals that need to be relocated.

Thank you for your consideration.

Joan Rogers

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joan Rogers

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jonathan Brinkerhoff [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:34:42 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

The risk to hikers and their pets outweighs any claims made by trapping advocates. Hunting is fine, trapping is not.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Brinkerhoff

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Paloma Sena ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:54:19 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I urge you in the strongest possible terms to prohibit trapping of endangered animals by irresponsible, heartless poachers. Not only will these beautiful animals suffer needlessly, someone merely taking a walk with their dog in the mountains could find themselves with a horrifically injured dog because of someone else's greed and selfishness. It is frankly appalling to me that such a proposal is even being considered when in reality animal protections should be increased, not rolled back.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Paloma Sena

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Marena Drlik [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:39:16 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I believe that trapping is a cruel way to kill animals and that the fur trade has no place on New Mexico public lands. Fur trading is a form of commerce that has too long out lasted the changes in science, conscience, and stewardship we have experienced in our modern world. It is time for this form of hunting to end. Please prohibit any recreational and/or commercial trapping on all public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Marena Drlik

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Philip Milstein [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:48:21 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Philip Milstein

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sean Mount [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:53:51 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sean Mount

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carey McDonald [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 07:57:24 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This is a cruel and inhumane practice that needs to stop completely. Please let NM be known for its compassion and respect for all life.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carey McDonald

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sharon Dogruel [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:04:56 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

There is absolutely no reason that New Mexicans need to trap animals on public lands since the skins of trapped animals are no longer anywhere marketable and the meat from trapped animals is useless. This is completely senseless and endangers the public and domestic animals that are victims of this nonsense. Stop this immediately.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sharon Dogruel

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Barbara Swyden [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:06:46 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Barbara Swyden

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Allison Gentile [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:07:17 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It's hard for me to believe we still allow the use of these cruel, barbaric traps, especially since they catch so many animals who aren't even being targeted. I can't imagine the suffering animals go through once they're caught. I've read they'll gnaw their own paws off to escape. Please stop all trapping in our state.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Allison Gentile

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ann Neef [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:10:06 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is an outdated method of hunting that needs to be abolished. It is cruel, inhuman, and unnecessary. Please outlaw on our public lands and I hope eventually, outlawed all together.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ann Neef

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rhonda Berger [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:11:33 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps are cruel + inhumane! We r supposed to take care of G-d's creatures, not torture them!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rhonda Berger

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ann Neef ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:12:06 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ann Neef

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Nathan Nielsen [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:54:36 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Nathan Nielsen

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Laura G [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:13:46 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

The public land belongs to all of us and is the home to the wildlife that lives there. We have no right to brutalize wildlife in their home any more then we would want them to hunt us in our home. The planet is for all of us including creatures that live on these lands. Let the live freely!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Laura G

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Andrea Kitson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:16:20 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

STOP THE INSANITY OF TRAPPING INNOCENT WILDLIFE IN THEIR HABITAT! I am against this cruel as well as inhumane sport. It is not necessary for this commercial and recreational trapping just so the rich assholes can hang a trophy on their wall! Our Native Americans never trapped or hunted this way. They lived on the land as well as with the land. They showed respect and thankfulness to the wildlife that fed them. They never killed for sport. Why do the people who trap this way think that it acceptable practice? Please stop this insane practice of killing our wildlife.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Andrea Kitson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Matthew Albright [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:17:40 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Matthew Albright

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mark Rosacker [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:17:56 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This is 2019, NOT 1919.

The NM Game Commission needs to wake up, respect the vast majority of New Mexicans, and ban ALL trapping on NM Public Lands. Protect all of our wildlife, including predators, uphold the 24 hour mandate to check traps, and get BOTH Commercial and Recreational trapping out of New Mexico. Our forests and public lands, and our wildlife belong to ALL New Mexicans, not just a few uneducated thugs who like to kill animals. Climb out of the ranching communities back pocket, get off your duffs, and PROTECT OUR WILDLIFE.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mark Rosacker

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Larry Hindman ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:31:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I can't believe this continues to be allowed. It is cruel, inhumane, and unnecessary. It is criminal activity in most States and civilized countries around the world. Why it is still allowed in New Mexico is beyond unconscionable. The TINY minority of people in the state who claim it is somehow necessary are [wrong](#). You know there is a great deal of unbiased scientific data that shows no value to trapping. Why are you even considering it. How about following the will of the huge majority of the citizens of the state and ban this 19th century practice.

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Larry Hindman

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Deborah L. Hall [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:34:40 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Deborah L. Hall

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Evan Mchale ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:37:38 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping animals is cruelty hiding behind some other purpose. What is the PURPOSE of trapping?? To exploit the wild animals for It profit and with the extra benefit of satisfying our own cruelty thrown in? How base we are! Please do the right ting and stop this barbaric sport. Trapping animals so they suffer needlessly in traps of WRONG? What is going on here in New Mexico our beautiful Land of Enchantment? These animal do not even have a fighting chance against us. We are losing them and other life forms at alarming rate. We have to take care of them for generations to come. Thank you for reading my note and please, please vote against barbaric and cruel Trapping of animals for no good purpose but to make them suffer. Evan McHale

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Evan Mchale

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Wanda Roach [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:42:34 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Wanda Roach

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Robert Fischhoff [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:46:17 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Robert Fischhoff

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Julie Valdez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:43:09 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Julie Valdez

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Gary Kology [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:54:45 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

The need for trapping has diminished to the point that only a handful do it., yet the killing and maiming of animals continues.

I belong to a SAR in NM, the careless and sometimes illegal of setting of traps poses a danger to my highly trained search dog. SAR dogs have been injured by traps!!!

I think it?s about time that NM joined the rest of the 21st Century and banned all trapping.

Thank you

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gary Kology

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Arnold Farley [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:46:57 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It is very important to keep hunting and trapping separate from the public access lands. Thank you

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Arnold Farley

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Martha Abatuno [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:47:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

i personally had to help a friend release her dog from a trap on public lands. It remains one of the most traumatic experiences of my lifetime. If the dog's leg had not been small and thin the trap would have broken its leg and I doubt we wd hv been able to release it from the anonymously set trap. The practice is cruel, inhumane, and has no place on our shared public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Martha Abatuno

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** K West [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:48:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping has been banned in over 80 international countries, yet it is common here in the West. I think we can afford to advance to modern times. Never have wildlife been under so much pressure due to loss of habitat and contamination of our natural environment. Please don't allow torture to their troubles,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

K West

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Todd Monson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 08:55:37 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Todd Monson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** John Meade [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 09:17:30 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

John Meade

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** David Hammack ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 09:21:23 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Hammack

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sahnta Dicesare-Pannutti [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 09:27:21 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sahnta Dicesare-Pannutti

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rebecca Rose [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 09:29:52 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Rose

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** James Enright ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 09:46:11 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please stop this cruel practice. Numerous innocent animals and people have been hurt from these traps!!!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

James Enright

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Anne Petrokubi [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 09:58:19 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Anne Petrokubi

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** James Lewis [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:55:21 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

James Lewis

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Judith Allen [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:05:49 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Judith Allen

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Tom Gorman [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:09:21 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Tom Gorman

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ed-Nora Boon Von Ochssee [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:23:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ed-Nora Boon Von Ochssee

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Liz Trujillo [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:26:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Liz Trujillo

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Onishea Aguilera [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:27:05 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Onishea Aguilera

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Mary Brown ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:31:28 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mary Brown

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Hodge Jones [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 11:04:11 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Hodge Jones

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Kirsten Lear [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 11:04:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Kirsten Lear

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] more information.

**From:** Sue Essen [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 11:06:05 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please PLEASE outlaw this cruel practice!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sue Essen

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Jorgen Hog [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:56:05 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping on public land is an unnecessary risk to people and endangered wildlife.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jorgen Hog

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Ron Faich ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 11:06:22 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ron Faich

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Jennifer White [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 11:07:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jennifer White

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rhonda Alterson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 11:43:01 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rhonda Alterson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Priscilla Martinez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <a href="#">[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:56:37 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Priscilla Martinez

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ronald Christ [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:57:09 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ronald Christ

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Lisa Tyler ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:57:15 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping animals for sport is cruel, and I don't want it happening on MY public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Lisa Tyler

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Audrey Marie Urbano [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:57:42 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Audrey Marie Urbano

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Charlotte Taft [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:57:56 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please Please!! No trapping ever!! Cruel and so unnecessary!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Taft

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Gary Holcomb [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:58:36 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gary Holcomb

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** June Parsons ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:58:43 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I grew up in eastern Colorado along the South Platte River, and have witnessed firsthand how cruel trapping is, because it is not quick and painless, it is completely unnecessary unimaginable suffering. Trapping has no place on public lands. JP

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

June Parsons

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Terry Hancock ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:58:59 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

We are hundreds of thousands of years beyond needing to kill any of the wild animals. It is only a most base message from the brain that causes us to "hunt". It is time to ignore that message and evolve.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Terry Hancock

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** James De Lara [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:59:27 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

All trapping needs to be eliminated and stopped ASAP. The concerned parties need to fortify their property from any potential threats, not killing. And the old "this has been happening for decades, centuries" needs to be retired. Times change and so do ways of doing things. Do the right thing.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

James De Lara

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Eric Walkinshaw [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <automail@knowwho.com>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:00:09 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I served for 38 years w/ the National Park Service where our mission was to preserve and protect our park resources for current and future generations. Those resources include wildlife. Consequently, I oppose both commercial and recreational trapping.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Eric Walkinshaw

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Barry Weinstock [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:00:36 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I think the game commissioners should be trapped.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Barry Weinstock

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** C Scott Bennett [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:00:37 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps, like poisons, can not tell the difference between the target animal and someone's beloved companion animal or a non targeted wild animal. I am an active hunter and fisherman but I don't support trapping.

Thank you,

C. Scott Bennett

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

C Scott Bennett

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Les Field [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:00:51 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Les Field

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** K Kagel ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:02:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This trapping is barbaric and inhuman. Vote for decency Ban ALL trapping-no creature suffering. Please vote from your heart - Ban AllTrapping Now!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

K Kagel

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Heidi Smith ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:02:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Heidi Smith

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Stefani Zirger ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:02:20 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

New Mexico is the land of enchantment not have the public mix in with with cruelty to Gods creatures. Land developing is running these creatures out of THEIR domains.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Stefani Zirger

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Diane Smith [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:02:37 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Diane Smith

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joyce Casey [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:04:00 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joyce Casey

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Judy Hartline ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:05:38 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps are often set and then forgotten about or rarely checked. This leaves the public at risk of accidentally stepping into one of these horrendous devices. Additionally, they are inhumane - doing nothing short of torturing the animals being ?hunted.? Please end the practice of allowing these unnecessary and dangerous traps on public lands.

Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Judy Hartline

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Theresa Hadden-Martinez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:50:59 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Theresa Hadden-Martinez

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joni Lebens [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:06:34 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please stop trapping on our tax payer land. Inhumane to our beautiful wild life.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joni Lebens

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rosie Wright ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:06:40 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rosie Wright

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Phil Grossblatt ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:07:11 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It is cruel, and also dangerous to domestic animals and humans, and has no place in our public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Phil Grossblatt

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rebecca Harwood [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:07:15 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please stop this vicious activity. We should be better than that.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Harwood

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Robert Gaines (g [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:07:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I'm a hunter and backpacker. Obviously I don't object to shooting and killing animals quickly, but I do object to killing them slowly. When I was 12 or 13 and wounded a jack rabbit, I had to beat them to death with a rock because the adult who taught me to hunt wouldn't countenance wasting a shot. Watching an animal die slowly horrified me then and does now.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Robert Gaines

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jennifer Koval [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:08:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Koval

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Denise Chavez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:09:04 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Denise Chavez

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Maria Aragon [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:09:08 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Aside from the genuine need for our wild animals to be left in peace upon our public lands, traps are dangerous for domestic animals. Frankly, if one of my dogs was hurt or killed by a trap, I would sue the trapper.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Maria Aragon

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Barbara Basler [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:10:12 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

The land belongs to the public and wildlife. Stop the tiny minority of trappers from endangering people and valued wildlife. Enough!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Barbara Basler

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carolyn Kelly [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:11:32 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Kelly

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rebecca Stein [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:51:01 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Besides, it is barbaic, cruel and immoral!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Stein

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Monica Steensma [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:12:31 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Animal traps that involve metal jaws snapping shut on the legs and other body parts of their prey are DESPICABLE instruments of prolonged torture, maiming, and an agonizing death for any animal, wild or domestic captured by this vile, vastly inhumane devices!!!!!! The fact that humans are perfectly willing to inflict such pain and suffering on defenseless, harmless animals, and the occasional human child or adult who blunders into one of these, is a galactic level indictment of the VAST capacity for savagery and endless cruelty inherent in our bloodthirsty species!!!

These dreadful, hateful, and barbaric beyond words

torture instruments MUST BE BANNED NOW!!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Monica Steensma

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joann Bethel [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:13:07 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joann Bethel

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Renee Lauzon [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:13:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is inhumane and totally unnecessary and I strongly oppose recreational and commercial trapping on public lands. Wildlife deserve protection and traps also pose a grave risk to humans, dogs, and unintended wildlife who may be passing through lands. We must be stewards of the land and wildlife who depend on it to survive.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Renee Lauzon

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Vicky Oreilly [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:13:47 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping and people don't mix

And stop all trapping of wildlife please

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Vicky Oreilly

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** William Mader ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:15:35 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I'm a New Mexico resident and have traveled extensively in the state as well as the southwest. I'm a former hunter and wildlife biologist. Trapping in the Old West was one thing, but that time has passed. Trapping and snaring animals unless an individual is a known killer (then get a permit) should be outlawed. It is cruel and unnecessary. I've seen what traps do.

Please stop commercial and recreational trapping on New Mexico's public lands.

Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

William Mader

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Samuel Bawcum ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:15:38 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Samuel Bawcum

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** John Roche [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:16:14 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

We should ban trapping completely in this state, as California has just done.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

John Roche

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Michele Downey [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:16:51 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is cruel and inhuman. Its a lazy way to hunt and very indiscriminate. Since the State lacks resources to regulate closely then it should be done away with.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Michele Downey

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Toby Sides [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:16:57 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is soooooo 1890s. Trapping with a chance of catching, and killing, an endangered animal just doesn't make any sense.  
Thanks

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Toby Sides

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Alan Shapiro [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:24:15 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I've personally seen traps along popular fishing spots on the Pecos. My toddlers discovered them and fortunately alerted me to them before any harm. So puzzled how these can be allowed on any public lands. Regardless of the rules on trapping, the trappers put them where they please. Get them off, totally off, all public lands.

Thank you for this consideration.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Alan Shapiro

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Drew Reese [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:48:23 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Drew Reese

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Judy Kramer [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:24:46 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Judy Kramer

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Barbara Carmichael [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:25:25 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Barbara Carmichael

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Daniel Padilla ([REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:25:41 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Daniel Padilla

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joan Martinez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:28:16 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

You know all the reasons. Pets are in danger. Humans are in danger.

But it's important to imagine how you can make this work. We cannot continue to destroy life in this fashion. It will destroy us.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joan Martinez

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Chemen Ochoa ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:32:40 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Chemen Ochoa

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Peter Roche [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:32:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps are extremely cruel to the target animals, in addition to being dangerous for other animals and even humans. They should have no place in our state.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Peter Roche

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Les Roberts ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:34:50 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Les Roberts

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Stephanie Vorse ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:35:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Vorse

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] more information.

**From:** Rachel Spring [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:36:21 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rachel Spring

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Richard Spas [REDACTED] You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:38:40 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It is time to end all trapping on public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Richard Spas

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Russell Milazzo ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED]) >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:51:07 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Public lands are not the place for trapping of any sort. These lands are ostensibly havens for nature to be appreciated by the public, funded by public dollars. Prohibit these practices on our land that is under your trust!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Russell Milazzo

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Wendy Cherry [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:40:01 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It's a cruel and completely unnecessary act. Why would we need to use such barbaric measures? Let's get creative and responsible and stop threatening and posing harm on other living creatures. Your own pet or loved one could be harmed. I do not and will not stand for such cruel exploitative treatment of wildlife. Please put an end to this.

Sincerely,

Wendy Havlir Cherry

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Wendy Cherry

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Val Talento [REDACTED] You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:40:09 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Val Talento

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joy Nagle ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:39:14 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I find the practice unbearably cruel. As stewards of this great land and the animals we should set an example that this barbaric practice belongs in the past. It is completely unacceptable that by keeping the proposal will still allow unlimited killing of any "furbearing" species like foxes, bobcats and badgers. In addition other species will still be caught by mistake, including endangered animals like the Mexican wolf. And the unintended species like javelina, cougars, bears, squirrels, porcupines and birds will still go unrecorded and uncounted. Trappers will still not be held liable if our dogs or cats are hurt as a result of being caught in traps. There is no way to continue to justify trapping as good practice. It's time to evolve and stop the cruelty.

Sincerely,

Joy Nagle

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** David Derringer [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:42:08 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

As a professional hunter/ outfitter #32 and former Army sniper for humane hunting should be "fair chase" and one shot one kill. Trapping in a moral society should be banned just as baiting and driving game with vehicles. I want all trapping banned in NM.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Derringer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** John Roig [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:51:45 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please help to stop the barbarity.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

John Roig

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mary Robert [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:44:14 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mary Robert

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Landra White [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:04:54 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Landra White

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Russell Fletcher [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:50:58 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Thank you for carefully considering my request, and for your work toward a healthy and peaceful planet, because the earth is the only planet for all of us.

Sincerely,

Russell Fletcher

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Russell Fletcher

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Al Webster [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:44:11 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Al Webster

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Denys Cope [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:49:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Denys Cope

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carol Licini ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:03:23 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is absolutely cruel and horrific. How can you, as human beings, allow this to continue? Have you no heart? It's hard enough to be a wild animal, to avoid cars, people, other wild animals, find food, etc. Trapping does not belong. Do something good in your lives and ban trapping!!! It's ridiculous that this state still allows it.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carol Licini

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Haley Jones ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:45:04 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps are a danger to humans, dogs, and animals that are not the target of the traps. Traps do not discriminate what steps in them and only trap the species they're "supposed to", they trap whatever steps in them. Humans and their dogs out exploring public lands should not have to worry about traps. If you insist on allowing traps on public lands, at least hold trappers liable if a human or their dog is injured by a trap they set. Traps do so much more harm than good, and offer no benefit to the public on our public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Haley Jones

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Keith Neuner [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:51:30 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Keith Neuner

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Annie Evergreen [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:49:17 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is unkind, unfair, and dangerous. Please consider abolishing trapping. Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Annie Evergreen

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Charles Leavitt [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:09:58 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Charles Leavitt

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Deborah Risberg ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:10:46 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps are indiscriminate in the species that they trap and are SO cruel and inhumane! Let's lead the way as humane New Mexicans and end this cruel practice!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Deborah Risberg

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Bruce Donnell [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:12:37 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

There are so many reasons that trapping has no place on New Mexico's public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Bruce Donnell

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Karen Kahn (██████████) Sent You a Personal Message <██████████>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:14:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is unnecessary and is beyond cruel. We are better than this. And even though there are people who don't care about animals at all, we should care. And if someone is ranching on public land, they need to do more work to provide ways to protect their cattle or stop ranching on my land.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Karen Kahn

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**From:** Timothy Nero ( [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message < [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:16:14 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Timothy Nero

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Susan Mackin ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:17:34 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Don't allow abuse of God's creatures!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Susan Mackin

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Stephen Gilbert ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:51:49 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

No traps on ANY public land...

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Stephen Gilbert

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** John Davis [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:17:52 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

John Davis

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Melissa Fagan [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:18:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Melissa Fagan

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sharron Dishongh ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED]) >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:25:26 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I have been hiking on public lands in the past and had the misfortune for my dog to get her paw caught in a trap. This was very traumatic to my dog and me. Not only is it cruel for domestic pets, it is also cruel for wildlife.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sharron Dishongh

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Nicki Marx [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:25:46 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Nicki Marx

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Santiago Perez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:28:08 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Stop trapping fur-bearing animals, such as, bobcats, cougars, etc.; there is no place for any of that any more. Animals need to be allowed to survive in their habitats without this added threat to their survival. It is unconscionable for human beings to consider themselves the most important species and to kill any other animals. Ranchers and farmers need to secure their animals more closely; they need to ride herd; they need to sheep herd or watch their animals closer and run off predators, not kill them.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Santiago Perez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Anita Walsh [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:29:06 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping and the public don't mix, and we are talking about trapping on 'Public Lands'. You cannot designate that endangered species 'are not to be taken'... traps are indiscriminate and will take anything or anyone who unintentionally steps on them or are attracted to their bait. It is ludicrous to forbid the 'taking' of endangered species, (house pets, exuberant children ) when traps will 'take whatever comes near. This is terrifying to the 'public' and unintended damage has already been done as evinced by all the three legged dogs around, as well as the silently tossed endangered species. This is a travesty. Traps are the absolute cruelest way to 'take' an animal, and for the pennies paid in trapping licenses, the trappers get thousands for the skin of inhumanely taken animals. Only the tiniest portion of the public are trappers and they are keeping the majority of the public from the free and unafraid enjoyment of the public lands which belong to them. Millions of dollars are made in tourism due to the natural beauty of this state. Keep the cruel trapping of innocent creatures for the enrichment of the very few... off of public lands, and let us, and those who visit, enjoy them once again.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Anita Walsh

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Brita Sauer [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:30:30 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Brita Sauer

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Don Parsons [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:31:32 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps are archaic and cruel. Ban than now!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Don Parsons

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** George Kunkle ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:31:40 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Recent accounts of peoples' pets being caught and killed in these traps are extremely upsetting. I can't imagine being out for a nice hike with my dog and having this happen.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

George Kunkle

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Evalinda Walrack ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message < [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:32:21 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

These proposals are inadequate and New Mexico cannot allow unlimited killing of any "furbearing" species like foxes, bobcats and badgers. Wildlife species will still be caught by mistake, including endangered animals like the Mexican wolf. The by-catch of unintended species like javelina, cougars, bears, squirrels, porcupines and birds will still go unrecorded and uncounted. Trappers will still not be held liable if a canine companion is hurt as a result of being trapped or if a human is injured rescuing their dog. That is wrong and not responsible wildlife management. A full ban on leg-hold traps and limits along with full reporting is responsible management. Live traps would be the answer - why is that not the solution?

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Pieter Hull ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 03:48:54 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Pieter Hull

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Susan Thompson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:16:59 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rules

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I am highly opposed to trapping animals and using animal fur.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Susan Thompson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** J. Brown ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message < [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:40:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] My opposition to the New Mexico trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

The risks posed by commercial and recreational trapping on public lands in New Mexico to people and their pets should be enough reason for prohibition of trapping. However, I personally find the most egregious aspect of commercial and recreational trapping is the abject cruelty to the targeted animals. Even if the rules are followed to the letter the impact on individual wild animals are undeniably cruel and inhumane.

There are rare, extenuating circumstances that might justify limited trapping. However, the existing rule and the proposed rule allow nearly indiscriminate trapping on public lands that drastically affects the people who aspire to enjoy their public lands, their pets, and, most often, wildlife. The justification for continuing to allow commercial and recreational trapping is difficult if not impossible to accept.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

J. Brown

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Nate Atkins [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 12:01:01 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] No more trapping!

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To whom it may concern:

- Trapping is **cruel**: trapped animals endure stress, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, dislocations, predation, and even self-amputation.
- Trapping is **indiscriminate**: unlike hunting, traps maim and kill non-target animals. Endangered species and companion animals are often caught in traps.
- Trapping is **a public safety hazard**: every year, companion and working dogs are caught in traps. This year, some have been trapped that resulted in [amputation](#) and, in [two cases](#), death. Traps are a danger to people too.
- Trapping is **a drain on wildlife**: for only \$20, a trapper can kill as many furbearers as he wants and is not liable for the bycatch. Trapping denudes our public landscapes of native species – in many cases, key ecosystem engineers – for private profit. Pelts mostly end up in Eastern Europe and Asia. Trappers pay no gross receipts tax.

Sincerely,  
Nate Atkins

**From:** Geoffrey Gorman [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:14:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please end trapping on my NM public lands

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I oppose the torture of any animal. Trapping is just this, torture. Imagine what these innocent creatures must go through when they find themselves caught in one of these devices. Panic. I do not like to picture this, yet I see the photos and am sickened. How can we still condone such medieval acts as passable in our current society? It is our job as humans to protect the earth and its creatures, not torture them.

Please make NM a trap free state, let us have something to be proud of!

I hike with my dogs on public lands. I fear that myself or one of the dogs will be caught in one of these traps.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Geoffrey Gorman

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Shirley Montano [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:47:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stop Trapping on Public Lands

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I am a real person. I care about the Trapping rules in our state and every state as well. As for NM, I am asking that there be no trapping either recreational trapping or commercial trapping on public land. This land belongs to all, including the animals. The current proposal doesn't seem to have any limits on the trapping of forbearing species. Also, Many species would be in danger of "accidentally" getting trapped. Animals like the Mexican wolf. Trappers need to be held accountable if a dog or human is injured when encountering these traps.

Please listen to us.

Sincerely,

Ms. Montano

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Shirley Montano

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mary Cord [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:44:01 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stop trapping on public lands

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

We must stop this inhumane practice.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mary Cord

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Emily Wolf [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:53:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Our ecosystems are largely at the brink?not only from habitat loss, but relentless and cruel practices by those trappers exploiting rules, and loose regulations which result in endangered and protected species caught with no reporting required. I?m at the point where all I read about is the havoc and cruelty that humans are subjecting wild animals to. I?m saddened by it, and want to strongly voice my opposition to commercial and recreational trapping on public lands in NM. Thanks very much?

Emily Wolf  
[REDACTED]

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Emily Wolf  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Elizabeth Wiseman [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 05:09:06 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please, please understand . . . trapping is not only cruel to the wildlife that suffers for days in pain once trapped, but it is dangerous for people too. Please do the compassionate and responsible thing, and end trapping in New Mexico! Thank you for your time.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Wiseman

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Gordon Parker III [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:13:01 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping and snaring must cease.

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Spring trapping and snaring are barbaric and totally unacceptable activities. If there is some absolute necessity for removing certain animals- disease vectoring or extreme overpopulation, it must be done with properly designed and baited inexpensive cage traps with check times short enough to avoid damage to the animal. This will prevent cruelty, assure the correct animal is dealt with, and avoid damage/death to other species and avoid injury to humans. Dog fighting, poultry fighting and commercial and "recreational" trapping must all cease. They are all unacceptable activities for civilized and enlightened human animals. No species except humans treats another species in any comparable manner. We should behave at least as well as the beings we have been subjecting to this cruel and torturous behavior.

Sincerely,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gordon Parker III

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Suzanne Hodges [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 02:29:53 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a non New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

This is a cruel outdated practice that has no place in any culture or civilized country. I am deeply appalled and disappointed that New Mexico participate and permit this.

Sincerely,  
Suzanne Hodges

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Kay Friedlob <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 06:16:39 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. They are cruel and inhumane.

Sincerely,  
Kay Friedlob

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Gretel Underwood [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:13:42 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

I have lived in New Mexico for 38 years and I love my state. But I am also ashamed of my state for being so backwards when it comes to animal protection legislation.

I and my family are strongly against any type of trapping in New Mexico, whether it be on public or private land. Trapping is cruel, and barbaric to wildlife as well as domestic animals. There is no longer enough economic incentive to kill animals for fur. And it is no longer acceptable to disregard the suffering and pain animals go through when caught in a trap. This is not the nineteenth century. New Mexico needs to support its wildlife, not torture and kill it for pelts. Wildlife in New Mexico is partly mine, and I say no! to people who torture and kill my wildlife.

Please think beyond the old norms and the paltry money the state receives for trapping. Ban ALL Trapping for fur. Respectfully,  
Gretel, Wayne, and Max Underwood

Sincerely,  
Gretel Underwood

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mark Welch [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 04:47:06 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rules for NM

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Folks,

I would like to offer some thoughts with regards to comments being solicited by the Commission concerning the proposed new trapping rules for New Mexico.

I am a life-long hunter, first starting out in Africa in 1951. I have hunted in India, Nepal, Germany, Alaska and many other states as well. I live in ABQ and am a member of the RMEF, the NRA, and a past member of Ducks Unlimited. I have hunted the Valle Vidal and many other areas in NM.

I am also a conservationist and a donor to Animal Human/New Mexico and to the ASPCA. I have had animals in my life ever since I can remember.

And because of my background and experience, I can categorically tell you that animals are sentient beings - they hurt just like we do, only no one is there to fix them up when they are hurt or suffering except Nature.

Being a hunter, I believe in clean good shots that kill as quickly and humanely as possible. No 400 yards shots with a 30-30 at a big bull, if you know what I mean. It is just a recipe for a wounded animal to get away and suffer terrible agony as he dies.

I tell you these things, because most, if not all of you, are hunters too, and many of you are biologists, as well.

Therefore, I am astounded, in this day and age, that we humans still inflict immense agony and pain on animals for sport or even for commercial purposes by condoning inhumane, pain-inflicting trapping.

How can you, as a body, condone the trapping of any, repeat any, animal knowing about the suffering they go thru while awaiting for the trapping to run his trap line, maybe days after the animal was trapped?

I can understand the trapping of nuisance or dangerous animals, such as rabid skunks, or pesky bears. But beyond that, I personally believe that trapping should be banned in toto, private as well as on public lands.

Exceptions could be granted on case by case basis, but otherwise, it should be stopped on humane and moral grounds, period. And as for the "commercial trappers", well, they will just have to find another job, just like any other individual does whose industry has faded away.

I end by saying that you know in your own hearts that inhumane trapping is a moral travesty and inflicts unimaginable pain on animals. You know this, don't you?

Let's see whether you have the courage of your deeply held convictions of right and wrong, and move to eliminate trapping totally from New Mexico.

Sincerely,

Mark Welch, [REDACTED]

**From:** William Goodson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:36:11 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping rules

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I have concerns on a few of the new rules being proposed. I would like to know a definition of a designated trail head. If it is any trail then you might as well stop trapping all together. If it is a state, county or city maintained trail then it might be doable. I also think giving one or two people the authority to make bag limits will also end trapping. There should be a lot more studies and information for a bag limit to be made, not one person being bought out and making a rule.

Thanks,  
Bill

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 11:16:51 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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Please prohibit all commercial and recreational trapping on public land. Trapping is both indiscriminate and dangerous and should not be allowed.

Carolyn Takhar

**From:** Joan Spicci Saberhagen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/25/2019 10:07:01 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Traps

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Please keep animal traps off all public lands.

Thank you.

Joan

Joan Spicci Saberhagen  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Susannah Smith [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 11:58:49 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban on trapping

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Dear DGF,

Dear DGF,

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Trapping needs to be banned.?? Trapping is a blot on New Mexico.???? Trappers endanger the predator /prey ratio , protected animals, the environment, people, and pets. It is just a matter of time until one of our tourists steps off the trail to take a photo and steps into a trap. ?? Ban trapping and move into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Susannah?? and Vernon Smith

[REDACTED]

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Susannah Smith

e-mail: [REDACTED]

**From:** terry sanderlin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:46:48 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban trapping in New Mexico

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It is time to ban this unproductive practice in the state of New Mexico. It is past time to make our public lands safe for residents, visitors, and our hiking companions. We need to concentrate on safe outdoor recreation and not deal with the potential of harm from these dangerous traps. Ban trapping now!

Dr. Terry Sanderlin

**From:** Linda Berd [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:26:52 PM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us@state.nm.us; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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I am unable to send my response to your totally inadequate “fixes”. I have tried several times. It says it’s ‘undeliverable’ and the email addresses wrong “INADEQUATE”.

LindaB

**From:** Linda Berd [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:23:35 PM

**To:** Joanna.Prukop@state.nm.us@state.nm.us@state.nm.us@state.nm.us; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tizio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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You do not understand. I live literally w/2 sides of my property bordering national forest. These canyons have homes here that are all bordering on national forest. When I was made to understand that trapping is legal in these national forests, I started asking around to see if anyone knew of any problems that arose from this fact. The very first day I was told six different very TRUE stories of neighbors who all had been caught in a trap, or traps placed right outside their fence (ignorant, illegal placement), and pets who were caught, lost feet, etc. I'm certain there are more. I also heard of a young woman who left her home one day w/her two very young children. When she got to the next intersection there was a HUGE PILE of at least a DOZEN DECAPITATED & SKINNED COYOTES...just left there at a fairly busy road. Needless to say the CHILDREN WERE TERRIBLY TRAUMATIZED, and all three were HYSTERICAL & CRYING.

I am against such horror stories, such cruelty, such hideously cruel antiquated traps first of all. Also, we are permitting the very trappers to police themselves...to place these horrors properly, check them per law (which hardly happens) and be their own sheriff & conscience. THAT DOES NOT WORK. Also, TRAPS ARE PUT WHERE MANY MANY PEOPLE GO HIKING BUT THE ACTUAL PATH MAY NOT ACTUALLY BE LABELED A "TRAIL" on a national forest map....So they put traps where people hike but where traps are permitted. I know of several cases of PEOPLE BEING CAUGHT IN TRAPS.

All this begs the question. Your minute so-called "fixes" are TOTALLY USELESS. WE MUST BAN ALL TRAPPING ON PUBLIC LANDS...period! The ACTUAL pain and suffering to ANY person or ANY ANIMAL CAUGHT IN A TRAP IS UNCONSCIONABLE & NEEDLESS.

And almost equally important to our state, we promote tourism, hiking, cross country skiing, biking, etc. DO YOU THINK ANYONE WOULD WANT TO COME TO N.M. TO ENJOY OUR FANTASTIC OUTDOORS IF THEY WERE TOLD TO WATCH OUT FOR 19th CENTURY, CRUEL, PAINFUL TRAPS WHILE OUT IN OUR PUBLIC LANDS? OH, AND BE SURE TO EDUCATE THEMSELVES SO THEY ARE ABLE TO EXTRICATE THEIR BELOVED PET OR CHILD OR THEMSELVES FROM ONE OF THESE MEDIEVAL TORTURES? Perhaps we should have classes to be sure they learn these things before they actually are allowed to go hiking. That might cover N.M. legally.....never mind the horrendous publicity.

Thank you for this opportunity to give you my very strongly heartfelt opinion on your so-called "fixes". NO! We NEED to BAN ALL TRAPPING ON PUBLIC LANDS.

Linda B.

**From:** Toni Carrell [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:27:46 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban use of animal traps in New Mexico

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps and snares are cruel, indiscriminate and exploitative of our wildlife. They have no place on public land. Not only do they cause suffering, they also catch household pets. There is no substantiated evidence to support trapping as a method for 'controlling' wildlife. I am adamantly opposed to the use of these traps and urge you to ban their use on all public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Toni Carrell

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Peggy Froelich [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:01:11 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on rules regarding trapping on public lands

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

These traps are a threat to people and domestic animals as well as causing cruel torture to animals intentionally trapped. This is not acceptable on any public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Peggy Froelich

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ellen Chavez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 11:07:18 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and fur bearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

no one should be wearing fur anymore. animals caught in traps may lay there for days suffering before they are killed. this is a modern-day when no one needs to trap animals. what if a person lays there for days.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ellen Chavez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** David Doty [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:24:11 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Because traps can capture any animal, inclined pets, I feel that they should be completely banned. Knowing that this is unlikely, I encourage you to limit and restrict their use as much as possible. Even the target animals are subjected to pain amounting to torture, and I see no justification for this. Our regulations should be compassionate to all sentient beings!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Doty

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Alicia Hall [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:57:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Alicia Hall

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** David Koziol [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 06:47:30 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

We don't need them- there is no reason to use archaic methods to capture animals. Haven't we screwed up enough for too many years?

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Koziol

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Antoinette Gonzales [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:20:56 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Antoinette Gonzales

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Donald Cooney [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 06:31:49 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It is well past time to put this barbaric practice to rest and join the more than one hundred nations that have outright prohibited it. The cruelty to wildlife caught in these traps is unacceptable and the dangers to pets, domestic animals and people means it is time to completely eliminate all trapping on all public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Donald Cooney

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Yvette Tapp [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:58:09 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Yvette Tapp

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Patricia Legrand [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 12:31:42 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Our Wildlife cannot speak for themselves. We must be their voice and demand protection and freedom from torture.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patricia Legrand

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** S Kurtz ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 06:29:59 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I strongly urge you to prohibit all recreational and commercial trapping on all public lands. The beauty of New Mexico lands is one of the strongest points in attracting visitors to our state. Friends and relatives from outside NM have come to hike and camp. Traps and snares should not be part of their experience. Please ban all trapping on public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

S Kurtz

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Esther Armijo ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:05:53 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This is one of the worst things you could do to our animals. Please do not torture on our public lands. We oppose trapping on any of NM public lands now! Stop this insanity NOW!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Esther Armijo

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Becky Renfro [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] m>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:04:01 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

As a dog owner, i am concerned that traps on public land will injure either me or my dog. I should be able to use public lands without the fear of being injured while enjoying the beautiful New Mexico landscape. I am also concerned that other wildlife may be injured or killed unless we establish rules that will minimize harm to humans and wildlife. Thank you for your consideration.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Becky Renfro

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jill Joseph [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:12:44 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is an unnecessary and destructive way to deal with wildlife. It's collateral damage to all animal and human life is simply wrong and unacceptable. Please ban this on all public lands.

Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jill Joseph

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ann McCartney [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:28:29 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I live near public lands that I walk several times a week. The wildlife in the public lands has diminished greatly just in the 15 years I have lived there - we no longer see foxes, badgers or bobcats. It make no sense to continue to allow trapping on public lands for species that already in decline. In addition, traps and public don't mix. Our beagle had his leg broken in a trap at great expense to us and great pain to him. Do not allow trapping on public lands for the protection of people, their pets and the already threatened wildlife in NM.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ann McCartney

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Michelle Torrez [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:47:15 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Michelle Torrez

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Constance Franklin [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:57:44 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

As an American who travels extensively to our Parks and Public lands, spending much time and money, for the chance to view wildlife and enjoy pristine nature, the last thing I want to see or know about is traps designed to kill America's wildlife. Trapping is an archaic and environmentally unsound practice that must be relegated to the barbaric ignorant past of whence it came.

You have to know by now that trapping animals is notoriously cruel and indiscriminate in target. Our American wildlife, and especially our keystone species, are essential to thriving ecosystems, and allowing people to trap our wildlife for I can only assume, the international fur trade, or some such frivolous penny driven endeavor is ethically repugnant, environmentally unsound, and a slap in the face to all of the millions of Americans out here that treasure American's wildlife and understand they have the right to exist free of grotesque exploitation and harm.

Last but not least, trapping on our public lands is dangerous to the public and our companion dogs that sometimes accompany us. So care about us, the vast majority, care about our wildlife and end pandering to an exploitative and profit driven industry that only benefits a few.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Constance Franklin

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[REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED]

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**From:** Cynthia Hull [REDACTED] You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:57:53 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps aren't humane, and frequently a non-target animal or person gets caught in a trap. Please don't allow them.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Hull

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Heather Knight [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 01:08:58 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Heather Knight

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** John Wilhelmsen ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:04:56 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I would like to believe that we as a species have come along far enough to stop trading animals lives for profit, especially the indiscriminate means used to take their lives. Please see beyond the almighty dollar and enact the means to end trapping on public lands.

Thank you.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

John Wilhelmsen

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Al Gelina [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:10:32 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please follow the guidelines set by the Sierra Club-I echo their sentiments

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Al Gelina

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Leslie Waltzer [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:13:57 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Leslie Waltzer

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mary Ann Wolf-Lyerla [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:24:22 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mary Ann Wolf-Lyerla

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Diana Thatcher ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:26:36 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Public lands are for all of us, not just the trappers, and our precious wildlife should be protected from indiscriminate harm, to say nothing of the danger to dogs, children and unsuspecting hikers. I'm certain the majority of New Mexicans feel as I do.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Diana Thatcher

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Maury Culberg [REDACTED] You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:30:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Maury Culberg

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Mary Westerlund [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:34:38 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

New Mexico Game Commission should prohibit ALL trapping on ALL Public lands in NM. This outdated practice is dangerous to the public and to our animal friends!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mary Westerlund

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joan Menter ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:35:20 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps can't tell the difference between pets or endangered species or humans and their so-called targets. The cruelty inflicted on living creatures of any kind is horrible and should be stopped. People, their children and their pets and service animals using public lands should be safe from hidden traps and random trapping destroys the wildlife we go there to see and photograph. This wanton destruction of wildlife damages the whole ecosystem and the "nature" we leave the cities to go see.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joan Menter

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Nancy Merritt [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:41:55 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Animal cruelty is animal cruelty, regardless of the political reasoning. Collateral damage is a reality in any kind of warfare. Please do not make war against nature. We are supposed to be the "thinking" species. We should practice what we think we are.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Nancy Merritt

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Shelley Westfall [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:47:01 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I absolutely oppose the trapping of any wild animal, it's against my values.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Shelley Westfall

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carol Yanker [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 01:31:15 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps are indiscriminate and dangerous to humans and wildlife. As an avid hiker, I have enjoyed walking on many New Mexico trails. A hidden trap could cripple me or another hiker. Traps endanger humans and their canine companions as well as protected wildlife species.

Additionally, traps are cruel and cause much suffering for protected and non protected species alike. As compassionate humans, we can do better than to torture living creatures. We must share our planet with other species and stop thinking of ourselves as the owners of everything on it.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carol Yanker

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Maresa Luzier [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:47:47 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I understand there are still people making a living from trapping. However we need to make sure animals threatened or endangered cannot put at risk. So those areas should be off the list, as well as public use areas.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Maresa Luzier

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Gail Seydel [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:00:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

END TRAPPING-- as a person who hikes past your inappropriate 1/2 mile no trapping area trapping is not safe. Not only have wildlife and domesticated animals been injured. we humans have been caught in traps too.

TIME TO STOP TRAPPING ON PUBLIC LANDS

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gail Seydel

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joyce Jenkins ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:00:32 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joyce Jenkins

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Noel Aronov ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:18:47 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Noel Aronov

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** William Riker [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:21:59 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is just plain cruel!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

William Riker

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carl Peterson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:28:29 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is cruel and benefits only a small group of people in NM. Please stop this barbaric practice immediately. NM is better than this. You are not managing our wildlife but merely perpetuating our image as being cruel and wasteful.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carl Peterson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Otis Peterson (██████████) Sent You a Personal Message (██████████)  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:32:31 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Otis Peterson

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**From:** Peter Krogseng [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:32:50 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

These are our lands we have the public as a public person I don't think that traps or poison should be used on public lands so that a few cattle Farmers ranchers can benefit this is nonsense 90s probably + percent of the people use these lands are non ranchers and we don't feel that way and should be desecrated with traps or poison for the sake of a few cattle ranchers thank you

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Peter Krogseng

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Eric Shekter ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:34:20 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Eric Shekter

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** John Davis ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:38:38 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps don't discriminate between target species and non-target species. Trapping presents a life threatening danger to hikers and pets, and needs to be banned on all public lands in the state of New Mexico. Please do the right thing, and ban the use of traps on OUR public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

John Davis

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Anna Brewer [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:31:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Anna Brewer

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Tiffany Nicol [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:41:07 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Tiffany Nicol

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** R.A.L. West [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:44:02 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

R.A.L. West

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** A Charlene McDermott [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:44:41 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

A Charlene McDermott

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Bob Macpherson ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:47:42 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I'm a scientist living in Santa Fe, New Mexico. I am against trapping. When I was a kid in high school in Connecticut, I ran a trap line for several years to earn money. I trapped muskrats, but one day I caught a beaver. It was alive. Beavers were protected, so I ran home (about 1/2 a mile), got 2 heavy pliers, ran back and set the beaver free. So, I learned the hard way that trapping and snaring are extremely inhumane practices. I am ashamed of my high school trapping.

I now believe that animal trapping is unethical and immoral.

Thank you for listening to my opinion.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Bob Macpherson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Lori Moore [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:53:24 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I moved here from Iowa a year ago. I want to hike with my dog but afraid she will get caught in a trap somewhere. I like to photograph flowers and trees but hesitant to step off trails too far. I only hike with a group in case one of us gets caught in a trap, others are there to help.

Just read an article in the ABQ Journal where an illegal trapper was not charged due to missteps on the game commission's part. Wow, how sad!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Lori Moore

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Diane Allan ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:01:51 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps are inhumane and indiscriminate. They have no place on public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Diane Allan

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Robert Rondeau ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:12:40 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It is finally time for the banning of trapping any wildlife. It doesn't matter if it is commercial or hobbyists. I do not believe that it is correct to use traps on any animals. The animals are often left to die in them. Animal fur is not an appropriate material for clothing in this day and age!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Robert Rondeau

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Joyce Cousino [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:14:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please ban these horrible traps.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joyce Cousino

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mark Miller [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:18:18 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I have only once come across a trap along the Rio Grande, upper reaches of Cochiti Lake, with fox remains in it, wasted! But I had no idea how widespread it is in NM. Please review your policy and modify according to recommendations made by Rio Grande Chapter.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mark Miller

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** shirley anderson ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:18:35 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

shirley anderson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Raleigh Koritz [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:09:59 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Raleigh Koritz

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Marcia Kellam ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:21:52 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

The cruelty and barbarity of trapping is completely unconscionable for ANY reason. These beautiful animals are living in THEIR habitat, and should be allowed to do so safely, just as we like to live in our neighborhoods safely. I don't care what trappers use as their excuses for this heinous way of murdering innocent beings. Would they like it to happen to any of their loved ones? I doubt it. It's WAY time to start treating our fellow beings as beings, and not use them as an excuse to kill, especially in such painful, horrible ways.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Marcia Kellam

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rembrandt Stokhof De Jong [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:27:40 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This is an inhumane practice a fit needs to stop.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rembrandt Stokhof De Jong

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Robert Cantua [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:45:00 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping on New Mexico public land is unacceptable!

This practice kills many unintended species, and harms domestic animals by being too close to hiking trails.

This practice was common in the early 1800's as a way to catch food for early settlers. Now, unacceptably, it is being used mostly for sport.

This practice is antiquated and **MUST BE BANNED!**

Thank You.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Robert Cantua

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Diane Mankin [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:59:20 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

These lands are meant to preserve nature so trapping has no place. Animals need to be able to roam free without hidden traps and nooses.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Diane Mankin

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Walter Bishop ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:59:35 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please...

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Walter Bishop

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Phil Garrett ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 11:03:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

As a long time Fly Fisher and Lover of Nature. I find trapping cruel and anachronistic in a time when our public lands are valued and enjoyed by so many of our citizens.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Phil Garrett

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Randall T. Phipps ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 11:04:40 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

The days of trapping for a living are over, get a job! Animals are under so much pressure from the environment and man, do we need to brutally murder them. Any hunter knows, there no honor in making and animals needlessly suffer! Plus the collateral damage is unacceptable, like one of my dogs perhaps?

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Randall T. Phipps

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Patsy Parentice [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 11:09:20 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patsy Parentice

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jan Olsen [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 11:31:16 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

please, with extinctions happening worldwide, can't we eliminate cruelty to our fellow planet dwellers. Please

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jan Olsen

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Londa Fowler ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 11:54:54 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Londa Fowler

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Kathleen Province [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:32:35 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Public lands are used by many people, their children and pets, and there have been several incidents where domestic animals have been caught in traps resulting in injuries, vet bills and distraught people. There have been incidents of traps being set very close to legal, public trails. Stop permitting trapping on public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Province

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Neal DeVitt [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 11:58:43 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It is a danger to hikers children and pets.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Neal DeVitt

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Laurie Zunner [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 12:03:09 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Laurie Zunner

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Deborah Sandoval [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 12:09:15 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Deborah Sandoval

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Pamela Bello [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 12:38:11 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Pamela Bello

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Richard Altrock ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message ([REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 12:42:54 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Richard Altrock

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Linda Buchser [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 01:03:59 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is both cruel and indiscriminate in the potential victims. We need less interference in the natural order of things, not more. To allow trapping with no limits on furbearing species is both a moral and an ecological tragedy. I urge you to strengthen the restrictions on trapping on our public lands, not loosen them.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Linda Buchser

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Vicki Word [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 01:33:05 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Vicki Word

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Cheri Vasek [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 01:52:54 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

There are many potential negative consequences. For native wildlife, there will be no limits on numbers of animals that might be trapped. It is also possible that domesticated dogs (people's pets) may be trapped as well. Trapping on public lands is ill conceived, and I oppose it strongly.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Cheri Vasek

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Carmon Steven [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 02:04:23 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Carmon Steven

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sudeshna Ghosh [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:55:29 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sudeshna Ghosh

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Dr. David Stupin [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 02:14:00 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please outlaw trapping on public lands. Traps cruelly punish trapped animals. It is painful to watch a trapped animal. I tried once to free a trapped wild bobcat where we had hiked and were camping. I didn't have the right tools to quickly kill the animal. My kids cried at the sight of this injured animal, and it was painful and difficult for us to try to kill it. I fear that some day I'll lose my attention and our leashed dog will walk into one of these traps causing great harm to our dog and grief to our family members. When we are backpacking, our dog provides great comfort to us by alerting us to the presence of wild predators. However, we fear that she will be seriously injured by a trap.

Please prohibit recreational and commercial trapping on all public lands.?

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Dr. David Stupin

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Anne McElderry Zurbay [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 02:32:07 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It is both dangerous AND inhumane.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Anne McElderry Zurbay

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Beverley Spears [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 02:34:15 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is cruel and archaic. Barbaric in fact.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Beverley Spears

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rod Guinn [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 02:40:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rod Guinn

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Rebecca Nafey [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 02:49:58 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Nafey

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** David Stout [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:02:44 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

David Stout

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Brenna Lissoway [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:22:15 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I understand that trapping and snares have a long cultural history in the West, but the time has come to move away from an indiscriminate, cruel, and barbaric practice. Like many other traditions, as our societal values and our environmental conditions change we must adapt, too. As an avid outdoors person and lover of our public lands I want my family, friends, pets, and wildlife neighbors to be able to safely enjoy and thrive in our shared outdoor environments. Its time for New Mexico trapping laws to move into the 21st century.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Brenna Lissoway

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Avery Ainsworth [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:22:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please heed the majority of New Mexicans who believe trapping is inhumane and dangerous. Protect our lands for ALL of us.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Avery Ainsworth

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

This message was sent by KnowWho, as a service provider, on behalf of an individual associated with Sierra Club. Please contact Lillian Miller at [REDACTED] for more information.

**From:** Mermier Christine [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:53:22 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

My dog, Moki, got stuck in a trap as we were running about 1/2 mile from the Embudo trailhead in Albuquerque right at the foothills by Indian School road. I, luckily was able to free her with help from my friend. The traps are indiscriminate (unlike hunting) and can harm pets, people, endangered species, and any animal, legal or not, When my dog was in the trap we were on an established trail on forest service land, just past the open space boundary. This practice is cruel and dangerous and needs to be ended. Thank you for reading my comments. I hope you will do the right thing and stop the barbaric practice.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mermier Christine

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Laura Bass [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:56:26 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Laura Bass

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Brooke Brown [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:58:45 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please don't be cruel. Please.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Brooke Brown

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Morgan Maxwell [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:03:21 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Morgan Maxwell

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Patricia Whalen [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:43:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

They indiscriminately maim and kill all kinds of wildlife, including vital endangered species. Please stop this practice.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patricia Whalen

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Valerie Cranmer [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:55:30 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

One of the reasons I moved to NM was to be able to enjoy seeing its abundant wildlife. I do not want to see any thing being trapped, anywhere. It is a barbaric and outdated inhumane practice.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Valerie Cranmer

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Wayne Darnell [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:57:26 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Wayne Darnell

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Marie Miller ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 05:07:34 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I live in the Santa Cruz area and demand that you END this insane trapping rule. Everyday you endanger our wildlife, our children, and our paets. END TRAPPING now. P.S. I'm also a lifelong hunter.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Marie Miller

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jeffrey Sauer [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 05:17:23 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Please stop this practice and protect New Mexico's wildlife

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Sauer

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ekaterina Adams [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 05:32:00 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I am writing to encourage you to ban trapping from all public lands in New Mexico. Trapping is a cruel, barbaric practice that entails a slow and painful death for animals. Unlike hunting, there is no gamesmanship to trapping. Trapping also endangers humans. Public lands belong to all of us; they are also designated for the protection of nature - animals and people should feel safe on public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Ekaterina Adams

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sue Herrmann [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 05:53:17 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

There is no way to ?limit? the kinds of animals that are caught in these barbaric traps. If they are being trapped for their coats, I have to ask why we, as a civilized people, allow this torture to happen. If they are nuisance animals that are causing damage to other species, we need to find another way to reduce these populations.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sue Herrmann

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Delia Barrett [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 06:37:07 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps are indiscriminate, therefore dangerous.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Delia Barrett

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** sau tsang [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 05:41:59 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

sau tsang

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sue Nulton [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 06:42:44 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

There is no real reason for trapping and killing anymore, this isn't the 1800's. Hunting for food is one thing, trapping for the sake of trapping or because some livestock may be threatened is wrong. These animals were here long before the human population and they will survive the demise of humans. It is cruel and inhumane. I only wish those who do trapping could get caught in one of their own traps.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sue Nulton

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Thomas Mims [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 06:44:58 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Public lands are for all people to enjoy and benefit from. Trapping has no place on them. It is cruel and indiscriminate. Animals are having a hard enough time surviving as we encroach on their environments without us adding to their burden by placing traps on their trails.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Thomas Mims

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mark Bourke [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:15:31 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Mark Bourke

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Eva Lipton-Ormand [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:28:52 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

We are the last frontier. Please preserve our unique wildlife. What do future generations have to look forward to.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Eva Lipton-Ormand

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Sally Sutton (s [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED])  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:39:52 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sally Sutton

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Chris Peck [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:41:52 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

There is no place for traps and snares anywhere.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Chris Peck

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jonathan Hartshorne [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:00:56 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Hartshorne

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Martha Ennis [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:30:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

It is long past time to abolish all trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands. Please do it.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Martha Ennis

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Gaetane Gonzales ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:56:11 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Do not allow any snares or traps on any public lands for wildlife to be killed in a slow, painful manner. This is inhumane and barbaric cruelty to all wildlife!

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Gaetane Gonzales

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Candice Blazzio [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 12:30:44 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Candice Blazzio

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ed Brown [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:17:14 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] comment on trapping and furbearer rules

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Dear NM Game Commissioners,

I, like most New Mexicans, am opposed to trapping on public lands in New Mexico. The current laws are antiquated and proposed changes don't begin to address the problems. I regularly (daily) use public lands, all over northern New Mexico, most often accompanied by my dogs, and fear for their safety as well as my own. The rules allowing trapping year round, with no signage required, no meaningful restrictions on location or setbacks from habitation or trails or roads frequented by humans and livestock, no bag limits and the indiscriminate and cruel nature of trapping - these may have been acceptable at one time but now they serve very few while putting the rest of us at risk. Please end this dangerous practice.

sincerely,

Ed Brown

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Patrick Colvin [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message <a [REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 01:34:32 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment Opposing Trapping and the furbearer rule

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

My fellow New Mexicans, we must bring our state out of the dark ages when abuse and cruelty is allowed against wild animals. Please please don't allow trapping on public lands for recreation (mean cruelty!), ban these kind of traps altogether, AND please do everything you can to ban all trapping anywhere in New Mexico for commercial purposes. This is not what you allow people to make money off of, it is dangerous for humans and even more so for children.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patrick Colvin

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Ron Syler [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:04:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Furbearer Rule Development

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I would like to register my support for a complete elimination of trapping of any kind on public land. If the legislature would listen to the large majority of New Mexicans they would ban all trapping in our state. Voters will eventually get the message across at the ballot box. Until then the Department of Game & Fish needs to take the initiative and protect our people, pets, and wildlife from indiscriminate killing on our public lands. Don't wait until someone, particularly a child, inadvertently gets injured or possibly even killed by a snare, and you have a multimillion dollar lawsuit. This is no longer wild country where few people go, at one time or another someone is likely to cross everywhere on our public land. Thank you for addressing this critical issue.

Ron Syler

**From:** Lois Wark [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:28:00 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] I oppose animal trapping on public lands

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Traps and snares are cruel to wildlife as well as dangerous to hikers and domestic animals. They do not belong on our public lands. Please prohibit them.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Lois Wark

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Lawrence Benson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:41:42 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Is Trapping "New Mexico True"

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is an archaic and exceptionally cruel way to kill an animal. Only a small number of greedy and often rule-breaking sadists do this for a living. Make these lazy animal abusers use a firearm if they want to humanely "harvest" wildlife for the pelts or control predators, while insuring not to victimize domestic pets.

The New Mexico Game Commission's stubborn support of trapping is a disgrace that might lead to many tourists boycotting the state if this practice was more widely publicized. .

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Lawrence Benson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Barbara Kenney [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:47:16 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Make trapping off-limits on our public lands.

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

This cruel and all-too-common cruel and unusual mutilations from trapping on public lands must stop. We are called to be stewards of the earth and of God's creatures, so many of whom are endangered. A Native American maxim which I paraphrase contends that within each human being lives two wolves, one with the capacity for good and one with the capacity for evil. When asked who wins that contest of wills, the shaman says, "It depends upon which one you feed." Let us feed our capacity for good in our public policy and protect the furbearing creatures on our public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Barbara Kenney

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Johanna Johanson [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:28:30 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] No trapping should be allowed

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is inhumane and should be completely banned. The proposed rule falls woefully short of that. Other states have banned it - so why must New Mexico stand for this practice?

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Johanna Johanson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Jennifer Edwards [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:42:45 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Opposition to trapping on public lands

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

Trapping is a cruel and vile practice that has no place on lands supported with our tax dollars. Traps are a risk to people and dogs. Our wild places should be safe places for wildlife as their habitats are constantly encroached upon and reduced. I ask that this practice be outlawed on all public lands in New Mexico.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Edwards

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Molly Lindsay [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:33:03 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please end steal trap use

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On public lands. Ask nicely they say. Well I've been asking the powers that be nicely for years now. YEARS. I'm so sickened and saddened by the torture that is allowed to take place in the 21st century.

Stop making excuses. This greedy bullshit has to end. Listen to the people of New Mexico, to those that don't turn a blind eye and make excuses for their own personal gain.

Shame. Shame. Shame.

Im tired of asking nicely and nothing changes.

Molly Lindsay

**From:** Opie King [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] 10/26/2019 09:18:20 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please outlaw trapping in New Mexico

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I'm urging you to ban trapping on all public lands. At a time when many species are endangered and the ecological balance is threatened, there is no justifiable reason to allow hobbyists to indiscriminately trap any wild or domestic animals (or people) that wander into their traps.

In pioneer days, people relied on trapping as a way to make a living and feed their families. Those days are long gone. Traps are crude, 18th century technology that result in long, painful deaths or dismemberment. They no longer have a place in modern society.

Please vote to ban them on all public lands.

Linda Castrone  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anne Aylor [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:37:04 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please prohibit trapping and snaring in New Mexico

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I strongly and respectfully ask that the trapping and snaring of animals on New Mexico Public Lands is something that needs to be stopped. I would ask you to prohibit the commercial and recreational trapping as it is cruel and indiscriminate. Our wildlife need and deserve protecting, not being killed and tortured in inhumane traps and snares. I would urge you to be in the vanguard of states to ban these horrible practises which kill and main wildlife, as well as domestic pets and humans. Yours respectfully

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Anne Aylor

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** cathy pardee <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 01:19:11 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

cathy pardee

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Althea McLuckie [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 08:20:11 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Althea McLuckie

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Kathy Imislund-Clarke [REDACTED] Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 12:12:53 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please stop trapping on public lands!

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

I treasure our public lands because of the wildlife they nurture. It seems ridiculous and cynical to me that the lands that we taxpayers financially support for common enjoyment of the wild are allowed to be used in ways, like trapping, that cause terrible pain and suffering to wildlife without any protection. As well, trapping on public lands is dangerous to people and domestic animals and you are NOT taking this danger into account. My enjoyment of public lands does not harm others--surely I have the right not be harmed by others. We are all members of the public, and allowing trapping gives some members of the public the right to harm their fellows, even if it's called an "accident." I STRONGLY oppose "recreational" and commercial trapping on public lands.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Kathy Imislund-Clarke

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**From:** Lynn Moen ([REDACTED]) Sent You a Personal Message [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 07:27:36 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stop using traps and snares

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

How simply horrible that traps and snares are used. It must stop. I see no reason for this cruelty. So few animals left anyway, why not protect them.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Lynn Moen

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Eileen Mandel ( [REDACTED] ) Sent You a Personal Message < [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 10:38:53 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stronger rules against trapping

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Dear Game Commission Trapping Comments,

The rules the agency is proposing do not even touch the surface. All trapping should be prohibited on public lands or at a minimum greatly lessened. Traps of all kinds are dangerous to people, domestic animals and protected species. I wonder who the agency is protecting. The agency is certainly not balancing the issues and appears to be in favor of the trappers many of whom are negligent and irresponsible. Eileen Mandel

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Eileen Mandel

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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**From:** Ilah Jones [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 02:36:28 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trap issue

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Hi, I want to give my support to totally ban trapping in Public lands in NM. At least move the trap restriction from 1/2 mile to 2 miles from any trail, trailhead, campground, structure. As a hiker, I travel far afield, many times off-trail. I wonder if I could get caught in a trap. I dont have animals but think those with pets should feel safe in our public lands. Thank you for your consideration.

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Ilah Jones [REDACTED]

**From:** Mildred Sanchez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 12:58:07 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping ban

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Its time to ban all animal trapping in New Mexico. This barbaric and dangerous practice has run its course!

Mildred Sanchez

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Terry Wexler [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 04:45:17 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping in NM

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I'm appalled that we are still discussing and allowing this barbaric practice in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. It may have had a place 150-200 years ago, but it does not now. Even if those who seem to believe that trapping random creatures with steel teeth digging into their flesh and being left to die a horribly painful death have chosen this as their livelihood, every report seems to indicate that they do not bother to follow any regulations that have been put into place. The oversight is abysmal.

The mindset that accepts the continuing support of animal cruelty really needs to be adjusted and be brought into the modern era of humane animal treatment. We've made cockfighting & dogfighting illegal. Let's add trapping to show that we're willing to evolve in a positive manner. Otherwise, it continues to be another blemish on the reputation of New Mexico and adds another reason for our being seen as a totally backward state.

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**From:** Jimmy Torrez [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] 10/26/2019 10:27:48 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping is conservation.

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Dear sir or madam:

Do not let the opinion of a biased paper destroy an important conservation tool. Every year these people try to outlaw trapping, many time using obviously faked photos of a pet trapped. They ignore leach laws but insist they are not in the wrong.

Each year biologist from the NM G&F testify how important trapping is to conservation. Please to not let public hysteria stoked by a bias paper further restrict trapping.

Jimmy Torrez, Citizen.

**From:** Donald [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 01:15:23 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping regs.

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Dear Sirs/Ma'am: I would like to say that I 100% support the proposed changes to the trapping regulations. Thank you.  
Donald P Schofield  
License holder.

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**From:** william beardsley [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 05:58:50 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] trapping

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I am strongly opposed to the trapping or snaring animals on ANY lands, BUT especially on public lands. Given that few, if any, individuals actually earn a living by trapping or snaring, I find the risk to domestic, or even wild, animals to be unacceptable. BAN THE PRACTICE!!

William E Beardsley, KE5ZAV

*There is no yesterday, only today!*

**From:** Karen Sweeney [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 09:21:10 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping

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I say AMEN to the editorial in the *Albuquerque Journal* pointing out the dangers of trapping on public lands. Please do your part to stop this dangerous practice; no exceptions!  
Thank you.

Karen Sweeney  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Katherine Saltzstein [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 03:52:25 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] wildlife trapping

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To Whom It May Concern:

As to the new rules on wildlife trapping, I think that the new rules should prohibit recreational and commercial trapping from all public lands. We must preserve our precious wild life. Too many species are suffering. And, too many are becoming extinct. Killing an innocent animal for a trophy is horrifying. We are better than that.

Thank you.

Katherine Saltzstein

**From:** Soules, David, DGF  
**Sent time:** 10/26/2019 11:14:39 PM  
**To:** Pam Neely [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** Re: [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Hello Pam:

I'm glad to hear you have enjoyed hiking in NM for 15 years without encountering a trap. I have done so for almost 50 years. (My passion for the outdoors and our wildlife is why I applied to be a commissioner.) I also want to thank you for earning a Wilderness First Responder certification.

Your comments are duly noted, and I hope you continue to enjoy our amazing public lands.

Best regards,  
David Soules

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**From:** Pam Neely [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, October 25, 2019 3:49 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

Thank you for working so hard to protect New Mexico's public lands.

I have been hiking in the Sangre de Cristo mountains for nearly 15 years now, and have covered the terrain from Santa Fe to Taos and back. I always take a dog with me. Fortunately, he has not yet tripped a trap. Fortunately, I haven't tripped a trap either while bushwacking or looking for a campsite. But when I got my Wilderness First Responder certification earlier this year, tripping a trap was one of the reasons to get it.

We all really do deserve to go for a walk in the woods without threat to life and limb - literally. Please end this lunacy. Ban trapping in public lands. All public lands. Now.

Warm Regards,  
Pam Neely  
homeowner, voter, hiker

**From:** Ed Baker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:33:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death with trapping. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days of pain and suffering.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Ed Baker

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** John Roberts [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:21:24 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

John Roberts

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Deborah Klaus [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:06:58 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Such cruelty is never acceptable. It is essential that you prohibit these inhumane practices.

Sincerely,

Deborah Klaus

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Carmen Martinez [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:56:15 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Carmen Martinez

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Bernard Cullen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:36:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Bernard Cullen

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Elizabeth Morales [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:33:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Elizabeth Morales

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Collette Morfin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:06:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Collette Morfin

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Sharon Mann [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:22:39 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Sharon Mann

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** David Morrison [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:31:31 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

David Morrison

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Allison Gentile [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:26:07 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

We need to acknowledge the raw cruelty we inflict on animals when we use traps, snares, and poisons. These sadistic practices aren't necessary. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Allison Gentile

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Quick [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:21:49 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Carol Quick

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Marcela Medina [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:26:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Marcela Medina

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Amanda Graham [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:28:33 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Amanda Graham

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Aragaki [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:25:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Teach humane treatment of animals for a civilized society

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

Cruelty begets cruelty and is morally wrong.

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Sincerely,

Susan Aragaki

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Krista Garcia [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:10:24 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. It's inhumane and wrong.

Sincerely,  
Krista Garcia

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Holman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:42:31 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Susan Holman

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Kelly Wells [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:42:04 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Kelly Wells

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Rita Gugliotta [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:00:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Rita Gugliotta

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Nancy E.Stone [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:29:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I have lost three household pets to poison and two more have been caught in leghold traps, and I only found them them after hearing their pitiful howls of pain. The ranchers who set traps and poison are supposed to post their land yet they rarely do. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Nancy E. Stone

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Elizabeth Trujillo [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:59:45 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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The Days are OVER when we can indulge in trapping. We cannot hold on to this same course of action anymore. Even OUR CHILDREN are Protesting because they See that OUR PLANET DYING. This takes precedence over all other special interests. New Mexico, Were Brave, Make A Stand for the Sake of Our Childrens Lives.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Trujillo

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Blaine Wimberly [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:18:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Blaine Wimberly

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Valerie Burgelin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:30:05 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Valerie Burgelin

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Rita Glasscock [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:01:49 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Rita Glasscock

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** joel lorimer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:37:27 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

joel lorimer

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Elisabeth Price [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:59:24 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Elisabeth Price

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Phil Hollenbeck [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:52:27 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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It's 2019! Stop caving to psychopaths. If not, we'll know where you stand.

Sincerely,

Phil Hollenbeck

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rhonda Berger [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:12:31 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Rhonda Berger

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Roger Southward [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:29:59 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Roger Southward

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Cheryl Byrd [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:07:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Cheryl Byrd

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Jasmine Lyons [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:47:14 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Jasmine Lyons

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Dean Jarosh [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:50:03 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Dean Jarosh

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Roslyn Pulitzer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 07:33:22 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Roslyn Pulitzer

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Lynn Glasscock [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:04:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Lynn Glasscock

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Natalie Van Leekwijck [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] 10/18/2019 06:14:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps are cruel. Trapped animals are subject to prolonged pain, dehydration, starvation, broken bones, predation, dislocation, self-amputation, and emotional trauma. Traps frequently maim and kill non-target animals. Along with non-target wildlife, leghold traps have injured and killed domestic dogs or cats.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,  
Natalie Van Leekwijck  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jennifer Endonino [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 08:40:36 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

I feel New Mexico is stuck looking backwards. Why are you afraid to look toward the future? Antiquated laws regarding trapping are only hurting New Mexico.

The state of New Mexico could be great if the law makers would stop hiding behind the past.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Endonino

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Andrea Soeiro [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:15:01 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Andrea Soeiro

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Melissa Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 03:32:11 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Melissa Johnson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** CATHERINE RADOVICH [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 05:36:19 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

CATHERINE RADOVICH

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Phyllis Golden [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:27:56 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Phyllis Golden

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Cathy Morrison <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 05:13:41 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Sincerely,

Cathy Morrison

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Charles R Shelly [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 03:43:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Charles R Shelly

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Shirley McNall [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:28:02 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Sincerely,

Shirley McNall

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** JoAnn V.Bethel [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:24:04 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Sincerely,

JoAnn V. Bethel

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Dr.Jami D.L.Hart [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:16:24 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Sincerely,

Dr.Jami D. L. Hart

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Laura Watchempino [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 03:35:50 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Sincerely,

Laura Watchempino

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Maria Aragon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:24:19 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Sincerely,

Maria Aragon

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Victoria Clemens [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 03:27:58 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Sincerely,

Victoria Clemens

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Kathy Vigil [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 03:27:45 PM  
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Sincerely,

Kathy Vigil

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Russo [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:13:00 PM  
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Sincerely,  
Susan Russo

[REDACTED]

**From:** MARILYN BLOCK [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:07:59 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,  
MARILYN BLOCK

[REDACTED]

**From:** Nancy Melin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 03:18:04 PM  
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Sincerely,

Nancy Melin

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Allison Webstet [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 03:04:00 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Allison Webstet

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Kelley Weaver [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 05:09:39 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Kelley Weaver

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Pat Jones [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 05:09:16 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Pat Jones

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Maurice MacKey [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 05:01:24 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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New Mexico is one of a few states that still allow traps and snares. Most states have outlawed this cruel and out of date behavior. We banned rooster fights, make this the next barbarous activity to be banned. It serves no good purpose.

Maurice Mackey

Sincerely,

Maurice MacKey

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Kutz [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:57:26 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Sincerely,

Susan Kutz

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary Chartrain [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:47:36 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Mary Chartrain

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Deborah L.Hall [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:46:32 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Deborah L. Hall

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Linda Schmidt <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 04:44:52 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Linda Schmidt

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Valerie Cranmer <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 06:19:10 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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I retired to New Mexico to enjoy the outdoors and its wonderful, abundant wildlife. I do not want to have to worry about myself, my dogs or innocent wild animals being injured or slaughtered by any kind of trap or snare.

Sincerely,

Valerie Cranmer

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Donald Smith <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:21:21 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Donald Smith

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Eleanor Wootten [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:09:00 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

It is with a great deal of caring about how safe humans and animals are that I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger on the other hands trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even deathly being caught in these various devices to trap animals. Unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food. The latter is inhumane not to mention the danger involved.

To ban trapping in just half a percent of the state is not nearly enough. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Eleanor Wootten

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Katherine Wright [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:06:45 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Katherine Wright

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Jeri Oliver [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:48:00 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Jeri Oliver

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Christopher Roybal [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:16:31 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

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Sincerely,

Christopher Roybal

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Gail Clark [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:02:45 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Gail Clark

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Kristal Kinzer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:49:45 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Kristal Kinzer

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Linda Morgan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:50:11 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Linda Morgan

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Diane Georgia [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:52:49 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Diane Georgia

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Darry Dolan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:38:27 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Darry Dolan

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Monica Archuleta [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:34:56 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Monica Archuleta

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Jan Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:31:12 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Jan Johnson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** John Wilhelmsen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:58:18 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

John Wilhelmsen

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Roger Kulp [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:18:34 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Roger Kulp

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Neal Jones [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:13:05 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I am against indiscriminate killing of wildlife.

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Neal Jones

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Raymond Watt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:05:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Raymond Watt

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** I.Engle [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:05:01 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

I. Engle

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Bo Bergstrom [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:00:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Bo Bergstrom

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Kester Oman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:50:06 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Kester Oman

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Reba Nafey [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:43:14 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Reba Nafey

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Ron Faich [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:27:13 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Ron Faich

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Laraine Ferguson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:26:42 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Laraine Ferguson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Adrienne Ross [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:24:50 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Adrienne Ross

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Buchanan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:16:48 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Susan Buchanan

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Cynthia Edney [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 03:01:01 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Cynthia Edney

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Ellen Barber [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:15:31 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares, and Poisons in NM

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I urge the New Mexico Game Commission to BAN leghold traps, wire snares, and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure what animals will step into their traps. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapping leaves animals to endure excruciating hours or days without shelter, water, or food.

Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. (The recent case of Roxy the dog is just one appalling example.) A child could just as easily be hurt or killed by these dangerous practices.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares, and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Ellen Barber

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Cynthia McNamara [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:45:04 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares, and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares, and poisons throughout the state. Hunters are supposed to know exactly what is in their sights before pulling the trigger. However, trappers cannot be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. Unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares, and poisons statewide, knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Cynthia McNamara

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Sharon Bice [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:08:06 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

We are on the trails over 5x per week either with horses or mountain bikes. For many years we hiked them with kids who went off trail more than they were on. I can't believe that this is allowed in our state and that we didn't end up with a hurt child or dog. Please end traps in New Mexico, it is cruel and unsafe for our land. Thank you for listening - the Bice family, 72 Solar Ct., Sandia Park, NM

Sincerely,  
Sharon Bice

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Alyson McMinn [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 02:52:15 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Alyson McMinn

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Abbie Ghini [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

It is amazing to me that trapping in any form is still condoned, considering how cruel and inhumane it is. Are we, in looking the other way or in grudgingly passing pathetically weak restrictions, implying that this sadism is acceptable in our culture? What does that say to our children? Will they generalize and say: because we have the ability to hurt another creature, or wantonly take its life, then should we just go ahead and do it? This is, in effect, an extreme kind of bullying, when we abuse and torture creatures just because we can.

We need to set the example for generations to come and treat our planet and our fellow creatures who share it with us with kindness, respect, and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Abbie Ghini

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Lori Mitchell [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:35:47 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] No more trapping on public lands!

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I stand against all inhumane trapping of animals on public lands. Leg holds, neck holds, fur trapping, coyote killing, wolf trapping, etc. If it becomes necessary to move problem bears from campgrounds or neighborhoods, a live trap should be used.

Thank you,

Lori Mitchell

Sincerely,

Lori Mitchell

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Marjorie Ackerman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:01:47 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

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It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Marjorie Ackerman

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Gloria Hacker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:50:36 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Gloria Hacker

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** sara sexton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:06:27 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

sara sexton

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Caroline Hinkley [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:08:20 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Carolline Hinkley

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Virginia Bell-Pringle [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:19:55 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Virginia Bell-Pringle

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary Ann Shinnick [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:04:37 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Mary Ann Shinnick

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Katie Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:56:10 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Katie Johnson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary Brockett [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:53:33 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Mary Brockett

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Maria Gabrielle [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:44:09 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Maria Gabrielle

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Peter Roche [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:43:16 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Peter Roche

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Connie Nowak [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:05:52 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Trapping is one of the cruelest ways to kill. These animals are tortured. They starve to death in tortured pain. I hope that the trappers die in the same way.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Connie Nowak

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Elizabeth Dunham [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:23:09 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Elizabeth Dunham

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Lou Simpson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:06:29 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Lou Simpson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Anna Brewer [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:54:13 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Anna Brewer

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Rosemary Busterna [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:41:47 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Rosemary Busterna

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Julia Knight [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:37:29 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Julia Knight

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Patti Bearpaw [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:38:26 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Patti Bearpaw

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Lewis Sponar [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:37:47 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Lewis Sponar

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Heather Knight [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:33:07 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Heather Knight

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Allen Gaarden [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:29:55 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Allen Gaarden

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Catherine Parker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:47:17 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Catherine Parker

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Debra Denker [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:46:33 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Debra Denker

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Stephen Badger [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:37:57 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Stephen Badger

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Maria Aragon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:35:43 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Maria Aragon

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Linda Bolton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:36:14 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Linda Bolton

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Diane Cook [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 01:00:01 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

Shame. Shame. Shame. Support for trapping wildlife is a cruel, sordid policy that should be ended in New Mexico. Can people not be given training and learn skills to earn money in a more humane manner?

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons THROUGHOUT THE STATE. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Shame on the NM Department of Game and Fish for providing such weak leadership in promoting and protecting wildlife.

Sincerely,

Diane Cook

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** goose fedders [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:40:45 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Especially for the citizens who live in rural areas and love to walk and hike and camp with our dogs. safety from traps is so important. There are surely easier and kinder ways to manage wild animal population and to protect our beloved companions and ourselves. Look into the eyes of your family and friends, your pets, and all live beings and choose compassion.

Sincerely,  
goose fedders

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jo Ann Sullivan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 12:40:12 PM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. On public land they are unnecessary and disastrous for wildlife, pets and walkers . They encourage violent, murderous behavior that may become harmful to society.  
I object to my taxes being used to support this harmful trapping policy .

Sincerely,  
Jo Ann Sullivan

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Anne Montarou [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:21:19 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

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Sincerely,  
Anne Montarou

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Tina Baker [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. It's wrong n others can get hurt n kids too. Plz just take it out completely cause no one should go threw that kind of pain n suffering a slow death such as that!!! Put urself in that trap n c how u would like it!! Also we need to b protecting our wild life not killing them off to distinction!

Sincerely,  
Tina Baker

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Ann Roylance [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:40:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, a BARBARIC & INHUMANE PRACTICE

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Sincerely,

Ann Roylance

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Carolyn Beaty [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:39:51 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Carolyn Beaty

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Kareyl Vattlestad [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:28:31 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Kareyl Vattlestad

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Teresa Hammond [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:38:27 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Teresa Hammond

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Elizabeth Buchen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:55:08 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Elizabeth Buchen

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** john mcclure [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:45:51 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

john mcclure

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Dr Terry Malone <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:29:42 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Dr Terry Malone

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** James Costa <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:33:04 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

James Costa

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** John Tischhauser [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:23:27 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

John Tischhauser

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Kay Sievers [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:46:42 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Kay Sievers

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Rosalia Triana [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:00:57 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Rosalia Triana

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Renate Rendon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:52:41 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Renate Rendon

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Laddie Mills [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:54:42 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

Trapping can not be supported by any rational argument, it is prohibited under the original NAMWC, and it creates an unnecessary and irresponsible public safety hazard on public lands!

Trapping only exists in New Mexico as a by product of a never ending turf battle by a ranching, hunting, and political alliance determined to demonstrate their control over wildlife management!

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Sincerely,

Laddie Mills

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Pat Hancock [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:36:53 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Pat Hancock

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Tanya Jimenez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:33:03 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Tanya Jimenez

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Sharon Franklet [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:28:23 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Sharon Franklet

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Peter Kray [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:26:51 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

Seriously - I am sharing the note below because it encompasses my thoughts so well, but would like to add that we as a state are better than this, and do not need to encourage cruelty, lazy, careless hunting practices, as well as the collateral damage this type of hunting often inflicts on other wildlife, as well as our personal pets. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration regarding this completely outdated practice.

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Sincerely,

Peter Kray

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Peg Borchardt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:24:11 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Peg Borchardt

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Janet Rees [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:20:54 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I ask you to ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. The often lingering, painful deaths of creatures ensnared in these traps should not be unaccepted in a civilized society. In addition, these traps often snare unintended victims. Trapped animals may go days without shelter, water or food. Family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to be injured and even die.

I was appalled some years back to encounter the phrase "recreational trapping." How can causing incredible suffering, sometimes prolonged, be considered a recreation?

Banning trapping in just half a percent of the state is not enough. Please do what is right and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Janet Rees

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Rebecca Vitale-Mandich [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:18:38 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Rebecca Vitale-Mandich

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Cote [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:17:47 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Sincerely,

Susan Cote

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Harriett Clementson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:16:31 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Harriett Clementson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Alexandra Mirabal [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:21:02 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Alexandra Mirabal

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Adrienne Weiss <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:13:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Adrienne Weiss

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Hochmuth [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:13:39 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Barbara Hochmuth

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Hugh Roberts [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:11:25 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Hugh Roberts

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Irvonne Newman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:11:10 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Irvonne Newman

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** James Lin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:09:17 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

James Lin

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Brian Otto [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:06:51 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Brian Otto

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** PJ Mcdaniel [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:06:37 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

PJ Mcdaniel

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Deb H Cookingham [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:06:25 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Deb H Cookingham

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Richard Ballew [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:18:41 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Sincerely,

Richard Ballew

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Dee Blanco [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:15:03 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

In our neighborhood we have experienced at least 2 family dogs caught in traps. As a veterinarian for almost 40 years I know there is no reason whatsoever, not in the past, not now and not in the future to use traps for any sort of animal. NO REASON WHATSOEVER!

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Sincerely,

Dee Blanco

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Tami Linder [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:15:59 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Tami Linder

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Neal Apple <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:13:55 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Neal Apple

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Kris Harden [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:08:58 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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New Mexico has an incredibly important resource in its wildlife and wild places. This resource should not be squandered so that individuals can profit. Rather it should be used to promote our outdoor tourist economy. Our land and wildlife is completely unique. Our weather is incredible. Our whole state can benefit from tourism dollars spent because there are more and more individuals unwilling to spend money in towns and areas that allow such terrible practices as trapping, snaring and poisoning animals. This cruelty has got to stop. Modern behavioral science of animals has discovered that mammals share all of a human's primary and many of our secondary emotions. Wildlife is a part of our state's history and it is our responsibility to protect this resource as the important asset that it is.

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Sincerely,

Kris Harden

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Robin Pascal [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:13:37 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Robin Pascal

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** John Hogan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 11:28:27 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

John Hogan

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Jo Ruprecht [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:17:17 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing to you to express my very strong opposition to traps and snares on public land. As a person who has been involved in wildlife rehabilitation for over 25 years I am appalled that any state, but especially the "Land of Enchantment", still allows public policy to be guided by the narrow and outdated views of those who support loose regulation of animal trapping, maiming, and killing. New Mexico needs to do a much better job in this regard. How dare we invite any tourist to a place where just around the bend of a trail they can come upon a beloved family pet trapped, maimed, or killed by an irresponsible and under-supervised human predator.

Many, many people are begging you to ban the kind of activities that led to Roxy's death and insisting that what regulations are in place are more thoroughly and rigorously enforced.

Sincerely,  
Jo Ruprecht

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** D Schmidt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:34:03 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.  
It is shameful how so many animals are suffering. Please let this be on your conscience if you don't stop this unnecessary cruelty.  
And the poor dog who was caught and strangled is behind awful.  
And the animals left to a slow miserable death with an iron jaw on them.  
Please make changes to help and not harm. (;

Sincerely,  
D Schmidt

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Judith Havens [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:10:09 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] I am Vehemently OPPOSED to Capturing, Poisoning, Trapping PERIOD. This is NO LONGER NEEDED.

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Sincerely,

Judith Havens

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Jody Neal-Post <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:59:36 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Jody Neal-Post

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Juliette Cunico [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:45:10 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Juliette Cunico

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Sydney Davis [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:39:51 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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I call for the New Mexico Game Commission to ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Sydney Davis

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** tomás herndon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:27:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

Please don't cave into the lying, fascist, racist, terrorist, traitorous sexual predator Donald Trump and his partners in crime against humanity and the environment, Fox "News" (the propaganda arm of the fascist RethugliKKKan Party).

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Sincerely,

tomás herndon

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Irene Johnson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:32:44 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Irene Johnson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Anissa Duwaik [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:55:15 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Anissa Duwaik

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Erin Yarasheski [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:32:49 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Erin Yarasheski

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Susan Chávez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:43:48 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Susan Chávez

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** CR Maddy [REDACTED] >  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:45:47 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Sincerely,

CR Maddy

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Pat Button [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:30:08 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Sincerely,

Pat Button

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Charlotte Weiss [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:39:29 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Sincerely,

Charlotte Weiss

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Carol Licini [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:34:33 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
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Please erase the black stain of traps, snares, poisons from our beautiful state. Its horrific that you still allow this and wont do anything about it! Do your job now. No more excuses.

Sincerely,

Carol Licini

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Lynn Helton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:30:19 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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This is an issue that has been going on far too long - not only in this state, but others as well. It is cruel and unwarranted - out of place in today's day and time.

Sincerely,

Lynn Helton

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Evelyne Taylor [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:24:54 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Evelyne Taylor

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Roger Finzel [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:25:53 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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I am an NRA member, certified instructor in 5 disciplines and tell you there is no positive comparison with trapping to any other activity regulated by the game commission. It is an archaic practice once justified for clothing, then fashion and now only for greed of the trappers. Stop it now.

Sincerely,

Roger Finzel

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Christian Dollahon [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:25:15 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Christian Dollahon

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Casey Citrin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:23:53 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I am writing to you today because I am tired of having this issue pushed to the side year after year as animals and pets are needlessly tortured and killed in our state. A complete overhaul of our trapping policy has been and continues to be my highest priority as a New Mexican voter. I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Casey Citrin

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Elizabeth DeCicco [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:21:50 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Elizabeth DeCicco

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Lauren Zunner [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:21:08 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Laureen Zunner

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Navona Gallegos [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:19:34 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Navona Gallegos

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Michael Robinson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:17:28 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Michael Robinson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Sonja Stahlhut [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:51:13 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Sonja Stahlhut

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Angela Werneke [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:16:38 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Angela Werneke

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Laurie Kenjar [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:13:49 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Laurie Kenjar

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Coy Maienza [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:12:09 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Coy Maienza

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Barbara Seychelle [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:10:18 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Barbara Seychelle

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Margaret Hadderman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:09:48 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Margaret Hadderman

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Kieran Boylan [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:07:04 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Kieran Boylan

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED].com

**From:** Kathryn Filemyr [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:06:16 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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I walk with my dog on our amazing public lands regularly. Please take action to ensure our safety by banning traps, snares, and poisons on all public lands.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Filemyr

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Terri Ranken [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:05:16 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Terri Ranken

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Juliet Calabi [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:03:29 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Juliet Calabi

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Rebecca Taylor [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:02:54 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Rebecca Taylor

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** James Cooke [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:53:13 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

James Cooke

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** amy sollars [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:02:30 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Julie Joyce [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:02:15 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Julie Joyce

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Robin Foster [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:01:47 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I DEMAND that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps.

Nontarget animals like FAMILY DOGS and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even DEATH. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure HOURS OR DAYS without shelter, water or food. THAT'S TORTURE!!!

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. PLEASE move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons STATEWIDE knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

Robin Foster

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Vicki Spanogle [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:01:24 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Vicki Spanogle

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Sue Herrmann [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:01:18 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Sue Herrmann

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Charles Lara Leavitt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:01:13 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Charles Lara Leavitt

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**From:** Maggie Burgess [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:53:17 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Maggie Burgess

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Robert Fischhoff [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:51:06 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Let's join the civilized world and completely ban ALL trapping. The time for this barbaric and inhumane practice is long over.

Sincerely,

Robert Fischhoff

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Sue Conklin [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:49:57 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Sue Conklin

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Marcia Mikulak [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:44:46 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Marcia Mikulak

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Kathy Jackson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:45:56 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Kathy Jackson

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Mary D <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 10:05:09 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Mary D

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Kay Lockridge [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:11:21 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

As a concerned American and resident of New Mexico, I ask you to ban leg-hold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. These dangerous practices are inhumane and unnecessary.

Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure what animals will step into their traps. Non-target animals, such as family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves, continue to suffer injuries and even death. And, unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kay Lockridge

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Denise Lytle [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:14:36 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a someone who cares about animal welfare, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land. Not only are these cruel, they do not discriminate, so many pets get caught in these traps.

Sincerely,  
Denise Lytle

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Joanne Sobczak [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:26:13 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear NMDGF Furbearer Rule Public Comment Email,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Sincerely,  
Joanne Sobczak

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Mike Sauber [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/18/2019 09:00:36 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping should be something of the past

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Dear New Mexico Department of Game and Fish,

I set a few traps when I was a kid but never caught anything. I grew up hunting and fishing. Times change and we should be adapting to those changes. There are plenty of options to wearing fur and it is no longer fashionable. Public lands are seen in a much different light and the use shows it. Less of us are hunting and more people are using our publicly funded lands to enjoy for the natural beauty, for solitude, bird-watching, backpacking and day-hiking. We often share these experiences with our four legged dog companions. We rightfully expect the lands we own together which is managed with our moneys and which pays your salary, to be managed for the benefit of the general population. Traps, poisons and snares all lessen the value of the experience we expect when we venture out for relief from the hectic pace of our workday lives.

I have worked on trappers vehicles when I had an auto repair garage in the Mimbres Valley. I know that trapping does not pay enough for someone's sole income. It is a hobby not an income.

Tourism is a very large part of rural communities and contributes immensely to our economies. Trapping is a taking from the public who want to enjoy our public lands.

I believe it is incumbent on you to do what should have been done long ago and end these practices on our lands in New Mexico. Enchant us with your decision.

Sincerely,

Mike Sauber

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Paula Chesnik <[REDACTED]>

**Sent time:** 11/08/2019 07:24:34 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear Commissioners,

I use our public lands often and I would like to do so without the fear that my children or pets may be hurt by a trap. This is a barbaric and inhumane practice that is no longer necessary.

Please think of the animals that lay in traps for days terrified, starving, freezing and in excruciating pain; so desperate they will chew off their own limb to be free.

The "New Mexico True" campaign encourages people to be true to our way of life and our beautiful state, that should not include indiscriminate killing of our wildlife.

PLEASE BAN THIS CRULE AND UNCESSARY PRATICE.

Thank you,

Paula Chesnik  
[REDACTED]

**From:** Jasmine Lyons [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 01:10:24 AM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Tirzio Lopez,

I am a student at UNM and former Veterinary Technician. In addition to my work with domestic animals in California and New Mexico I have volunteered off and on for 18 years at wildlife hospitals in Oregon, California and New Mexico. Throughout these years I have established a very clear understanding that both domestic and wild animals experience pain and suffering just as humans do. I am shocked that the use of traps is still legal at all and the stories I hear about the careless management of their use on public land is incredibly disturbing. The use of traps is archaic and barbaric and a poor reflection of wildlife management in the state of New Mexico. I urge the NM Game Commission to ban recreational and commercial trapping on all public lands. Please.

Sincerely,

Jasmine Lyons

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Jasmine Lyons

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Monica Archuleta [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/09/2019 02:45:00 PM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Tirzio Lopez,

I find the current proposals lacking appropriate oversight for wild life and domesticated beings, such as pets and humans. Traps and snares are cruel, they have no business on public lands. There needs to be true protection toward our wild life and the rapid extinction they are facing by our species existence and takeover.

I urge you to take serious action in caring to protect our wild life and public from trappings.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Monica Archuleta

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

**From:** Jackie Schmitt [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/08/2019 08:18:51 PM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Tirzio Lopez,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Sincerely,

Jackie Schmitt

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Richard Spotts [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/10/2019 08:57:16 AM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Tirzio Lopez,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state.

As you know, hunters should know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, but trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

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Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Richard Spotts

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Joanna Berman [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/08/2019 09:17:52 PM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] This activity is the most ignorant and cruel thing that humans still do. STOP IT NOW!!!!

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Dear Tirzio Lopez,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Joanna Berman

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**From:** Chris Smith [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 10:04:25 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Jeremy Vesbach <jeremy.vesbach@westernresources.org>; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Sloane, Michael B., DGF; Reyes, Victor, GOV; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] TrapFree New Mexico comments on proposed furbearer rules  
**Attachments:** TrapFree NM comments on proposed changes to furbearer rule.pdf

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Dear Chair Prukop, Members of the Game Commission, Director Sloane, and Mr. Reyes,

Please see the attached comments regarding the current furbearer rule proposal on behalf of TrapFree New Mexico coalition members.

Sincerely,  
Chris Smith

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**CHRIS SMITH**  
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**From:** Julia Thielert [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 10/20/2019 02:45:44 PM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Trapping Rule Public Comment

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Dear Commissioner Tirzio Lopez,

As a New Mexican, I am writing you to express my opposition to traps and snares on public land.

Traps and snares are cruel, dangerous, indiscriminate, ecologically destructive, and have no place on the lands we all share.

Please ban them.

Sincerely,  
Julia Thielert

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**From:** [Ben Neary](#)  
**To:** [DGF-Furbearer-Rules](#)  
**Subject:** [EXT] NM Wildlife Federation Comments on Trapping  
**Date:** Thursday, November 14, 2019 1:56:04 PM  
**Attachments:** [Trapping Comments.pdf](#)

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Dear Folks

Attached please find comments from the New Mexico Wildlife Federation on proposed changes to trapping rules. Please contact me with any questions. Thank you,

Best Regards,

Ben Neary  
Conservation Director

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Nov. 14, 2019

New Mexico State Game Commission  
New Mexico Department of Game and Fish

Dear Commission and Department Officials,

This letter is to support the proposed new trapping rule as outlined in the Game and Fish Department's online summary and as presented to the State Game Commission and public during commission and public input meetings over several months of this year.

We note that many of the proposed changes were taken directly or adapted from recommendations that emerged from a months-long series of meetings of a trapping issues workgroup, in which a wide spectrum of organizations – including NMWF – were represented. The rule as proposed takes a number of meaningful steps toward alleviating some of the conflicts that exacerbate differences among those who trap and those who do not.

We also acknowledge that the rule will not satisfy those who want trapping banned from public lands altogether, or those who would prefer fewer restrictions. As to the former, NMWF has and continues to support regulated, ethical trapping as a legitimate use of a sustainable natural resource. As to the latter, NMWF supports the proposed rule in total. We specifically urge the enactment of extended setbacks from areas of high public use; the adaptations of the AFWA best-practices techniques; the extended raccoon season with the accompanying restrictions on trap types; the limitations on the use of poisons, and the existing requirement for daily trap checks.

Thank you for your work and the opportunity to comment on this proposed rule.

Sincerely,

John Crenshaw, NMWF Board Chairman

Jesse Deubel, NMWF Executive Director

**From:** [Prukop, Joanna, DGF](#)  
**To:** [Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF](#); [Bates, Jimmy, DGF](#); [Cramer, Gail, DGF](#); [Lopez, Tirzio, DGF](#); [Soules, David, DGF](#); [Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF](#)  
**Cc:** [Sloane, Michael B., DGF](#); [Comins III, James C., DGF](#); [Liley, Stewart, DGF](#); [DGF-Furbearer-Rules](#)  
**Subject:** Attached constituent letter...  
**Date:** Monday, November 11, 2019 12:08:15 PM  
**Attachments:** [Constituent Letter--Trapping--WFBurris.pdf](#)

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Hello Commissioners,

I received the attached 4-page hand written letter from Mr. W. E. Burris and wanted to share it with you in case you didn't receive a similar one; and I wanted to make certain it was included in the official rule making record. Thank you and enjoy your day and week....jp

Joanna Prukop, Chair  
NM State Game Commission

Wesley E. BURRIS

  
OCT. 8, 2019

New Mexico State Game Commission

Commissioner: Joanna Prukop,

I have been to two of your Commission meetings and public hearings on trapping issues. The two minutes allowed isn't enough time to say all I needed to say.

Trapping and dealing with animals in this respect is a very special and highly skilled work done by special and skilled people. There are only a few of us based on the number of people in New Mexico.

The private trapper has taken on the job the state and federal government trappers did for years. From the early 1900s to the 1970s, for all these years there wasn't a fur market like today. Some of the pelts were taken but not many compared to the number of animals killed.

When the fur market increased during the 1970s the private trapper began to take over.

Some government Trappers went private. When The government Trapping first started the agency was under The Department of Interior and it was "The Biological Survey". Later on The name was changed to "Animal Damage" or ADC. Sometime, I believe, in The 1980s IT was changed again to "Animal Plant and Health Service". Sometime later The name was changed again to "Wildlife Services". Also at sometime during These changes IT was Transferred from Dept. of Interior to Department of Agriculture.

Today Wildlife Services do not use foothold traps much. They use M44s which is a cyanide poison gun, or ariel gunning, shooting from an aircraft. No pelts are taken so IT's a total waste.

The private Trapper uses foothold traps or snares, NO POISON. The pelt is taken and The carcass is disposed of in a place where hawks, crows, and eagles will clean them up in a short time.

Private Trappers Today using The best traps available and "Best Management Practices" provide The best wildlife Conservation Tool available and The most humane. The private works for ranchers, farmers, The New Mexico Dept of Game & Fish, hunters and fishermen for no pay.

In fact we pay to do The work we do. We have to buy a Trappers License, a small game license and habitat stamp and habitat Management & Access

Validation, all our equipment, vehicle expense and other necessities. Our pay is what we make from the pelts.

Trapping IS NOT A SPORT nor is done for recreation. IT is a way of life, it's a means of wildlife conservation, predator control, animal damage control, disease control, over population of predators and a means of livelihood for many people. Trapping is a primary activity and not derived from any other business or activity.

Most of the changes proposed by the Game Department are absolutely unnecessary.

There are two items that are O.K. The closing of the area east of Albuquerque and the most important issue is TRAPPERS EDUCATION.

This is something that the New Mexico Trappers Association has tried to get started for thirty years or more. One of the N.M. Trappers Assoc. presidents, "Tom McDowell" designed a Trappers Ed. program to teach Hunter Education Teachers how to teach Trapper Education. This was accepted by the N.M. Game & Fish Dept. and five or six classes were taught to Hunter Ed Teachers. I don't know why this didn't work except, maybe, Hunter Ed people didn't want to teach Trappers Ed. IT still needs to be done.

I have been asked to teach Trappers Ed. or Hunters Ed. classes a number of times in the past years and have done so. This seems to work OK. The only problem is there are only a few people who know how to teach Trappers Ed.

Another thing I see about the proposed changes is the fact that there is no scientific or biological reason for these proposed changes. What is the reasoning for these changes?

It appears to me that it is political.

The State Game Commission SHOULD NOT be acting on a political agenda. Is this being pushed on the Commission from higher up the ladder? Is this being done because the State Legislature didn't pass the anti-trapping Bill last year?

I would sure like to know.

Sincerely

Shelby E. Burris

December 2, 2019

Comments from Larry Hindman, Albuquerque NM, regarding Trapping and Furbearer Rule Proposed changes , 2020-2024

The change should be to completely ban recreational trapping in New Mexico. A tiny percentage of the population supports this barbaric and inhumane practice.

Even though the public does not support recreational trapping, I expect that you are not going to do what the citizens of the state want, so here are a few things that should be done in the rule:

- Proposed Setback distances are inadequate. ½ mile from trail heads is not enough. If people and pets are using trails, they (and I regularly with my dogs) go much further on the trail than ½ mile from the trail head.
- Suggest “Setback from all trails must be at least ½ mile for the entire length of the trail.”
- Closure areas should include all National Forest, and BLM land. No reason for this cruel practice on our Lands.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment.

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [DGF-Furbearer-Rules](#)  
**Subject:** [EXT] Furbearer rule development  
**Date:** Thursday, November 14, 2019 9:47:09 PM  
**Attachments:** [trapping\\_carol.pdf](#)

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Hello,  
Attached is my letter containing my comments regarding the proposed furbearer rule changes.  
Thanks for considering them.  
Sincerely,  
Carol Marion



**From:** [Lopez, Tirzio, DGF](#)  
**To:** [DGF-Furbearer-Rules](#)  
**Subject:** FW: [EXT] TrapFree New Mexico comments on proposed furbearer rules  
**Date:** Friday, November 08, 2019 5:27:58 PM  
**Attachments:** [TrapFree NM comments on proposed changes to furbearer rule.pdf](#)

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**From:** Chris Smith [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 7, 2019 10:04 AM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Jeremy Vesbach; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Sloane, Michael B., DGF; Reyes, Victor, GOV; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] TrapFree New Mexico comments on proposed furbearer rules

Dear Chair Prukop, Members of the Game Commission, Director Sloane, and Mr. Reyes,

Please see the attached comments regarding the current furbearer rule proposal on behalf of TrapFree New Mexico coalition members.

Sincerely,  
Chris Smith

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***Southern Rockies Wildlife Advocate***



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November 7, 2019

Joanna Prukop, Chair  
Roberta Salazar-Henry, Vice-Chair  
Jimmy Bates, Commissioner  
Gail Cramer, Commissioner  
Tirzio Lopez, Commissioner  
David Soules, Commissioner  
Jeremy Vesbach, Commissioner  
**New Mexico State Game Commission**

Michael Sloane, Director  
**New Mexico Department of Game and Fish**

Victor Reyes, Legislative Director for Governor Lujan Grisham  
**Office of the Governor**

via Electronic Mail

Dear Director Sloane, Chair Prukop, members of the New Mexico Game Commission, and Mr. Reyes,

On behalf of TrapFree New Mexico, a coalition of non-profit conservation and animal protection organizations that have been working to reform trapping and furbearer species policy in New Mexico for 11 years, and each organization's members and supporters in New Mexico, we respectfully submit these comments on the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish's (NMDGF) most recent set of proposed changes to the Trapping and Furbearer Rule, dated August 29, 2019 ("Proposal").

Overall, the Proposal represents an inadequate effort to protect native wildlife, public lands, and companion animals, and one which various members of NMDGF and the Commission have stated publicly is intended to "preserve the future of trapping" despite opposition from the majority of New Mexicans. A ban on commercial, recreational, and unrestricted private depredation trapping across all of New Mexico's public lands is the most effective way to align wildlife policy with the will of our state's citizens, the best available science, and a 21<sup>st</sup> century ethic of coexistence, whether through administrative rulemaking or legislation.

### **Animal Cruelty**

The American Veterinary Medical Association and the American Animal Hospital Association oppose routine trapping primarily because of the injuries, trauma, and suffering inflicted upon trapped animals.<sup>1</sup> Eight states have prohibitions on leghold traps, 14 have prohibitions on Conibear body-gripping traps, and 21 have prohibitions on snares. New Mexico's neighboring state of Arizona prohibits all of these devices on public land,<sup>2</sup> and northern neighbor Colorado prohibits them statewide.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> American Veterinary Medical Association, 2017. Trapping and Steel-jawed Leghold Traps. <https://www.avma.org/KB/Policies/Pages/Trapping-and-Steel-jawed-Leghold-Traps.aspx>; American Animal Hospital Association, 2014. AAHA position statements and endorsements, leghold traps. <https://www.aaha.org/about-aaha/aaha-position-statements/leghold-traps/>

<sup>2</sup> Arizona Game and Fish. (2019). Arizona game and fish commission rules. [www.azgfd.gov/](http://www.azgfd.gov/)

Despite numerous modifications, most traps can cause serious injury and suffering, including broken legs, dislocated shoulders, lacerations, torn muscles, cuts to mouths and gums, broken teeth, fractures, amputation of digits, and death.<sup>4</sup> An animal trapped on land may suffer from psychological stress and/or pain, starvation, dehydration, predation, or exposure to severe weather.<sup>5</sup> If captured in aquatic traps, animals adapted to swimming and diving for long periods such as beavers and river otters can slowly suffer from hypoxia even if they struggle before drowning.

Conibear traps, intended to kill animals instantly by snapping the spinal column at the base of the neck, often mis-strike, and injured animals frequently escape from them. Studies show that Conibear traps generally kill less than 15 percent of trapped animals instantly and more than 40 percent usually die slow, painful deaths as unintended body parts such as abdomens, heads or limbs are smashed and crushed between the trap bars.<sup>6</sup>

The nature of animal suffering caused by traps differs from traditional hunting practices, in which a hunter is present to identify his or her target (and can discriminate between the target and non-targets) and uses skill to take precise aim at the animal in order to minimize suffering.

The Department of Game and Fish is citing trapping "Best Management Practices" (BMPs) in its presentations about trapping. These recommendations are not based on unbiased science, but instead based on voluntary reports and anecdotes from trappers and trapping advocates alone. The parameters used to judge animal suffering are arbitrary, and BMPs continue to allow terrible suffering as acceptable. BMPs were developed in response to the threat from the European Union to prohibit the importation of pelts from trapped animals because of significant concerns about animal welfare. But the very devices that the EU sought to prohibit were then conveniently found by those involved in the research to be acceptable after all. The BMP program has been criticized by independent scientists, wildlife professionals, and animal advocacy organizations as unscientific, self-serving, non-transparent, and designed to simply make trapping palatable to the broader public.<sup>7</sup>

Upon discovery by a trapper, wildlife can be killed in horrific manners in part to preserve fur and pelt intactness. Commonly used methods include strangling, drowning, bludgeoning and chest stomping.

While lamination, offsets, swivels, and anchors may offer incremental improvements, these and other changes in the Proposal ultimately will not sufficiently change the likelihood of suffering in leghold traps, nor can the Proposal adequately ensure that Conibear traps actually instantly kill animals. The Proposal also continues to allow trappers to kill trapped animals in unimaginably cruel ways.

## **Public Safety on Public Lands**

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<sup>3</sup> Colorado Parks and Wildlife. (n.d.). Furbearers and small game, except migratory birds; Article I – General provisions. [www.cpw.state.co.us/Documents/RulesRegs/](http://www.cpw.state.co.us/Documents/RulesRegs/)

<sup>4</sup> Phillips, R. L., et al. 1990. Leg injuries to coyotes in three types of foothold traps. *Wildlife Society Bulletin* 18: 166-175.

<sup>5</sup> Iossa, G., C. D. Soulsbury, and S. Harris. 2007. Mammal trapping: a review of animal welfare standards of killing and restraining traps. *Animal Welfare* 16: 335-352

<sup>6</sup> H. C. Lunn. "The Conibear Trap—Recommendations for its Improvement," Humane Trap Development Committee of Canada, Canadian Federation of Humane Societies. 1973.

<sup>7</sup> Fox, Camilla, 2009. Trapped in Debate. Animal Welfare Institute quarterly letter <https://awionline.org/awi-quarterly/2009-summer/trapped-debate>; Harrop, S.R. 2000. The trapping of wild mammals and attempts to legislate for animal suffering in international standards. *Journal of Environmental Law*, 12:333-360

Only ~175,000 acres, or 0.5 percent of public lands in New Mexico, would be affected by the four closures proposed. That is a miniscule amount of the total land on which New Mexicans hike, bike, fish, hunt, camp, and watch wildlife. Department staff say that these are “high recreation use areas,” but have provided no data to differentiate these areas from the countless other public lands across the state that New Mexicans use. Moreover, there is no data to suggest that these areas are actually more prone to negative trapping incidents than others.

While the Proposal’s closures may assuage the concerns of *some* urban New Mexicans that don’t venture far from home, they leave countless others vulnerable to encounters. Many New Mexicans and tourists alike enjoy utilizing public lands outside of the closure areas.

New Mexico’s growing outdoor recreation economy—reliant on our amazing public lands—is among our state’s greatest sustainable economic drivers and a priority of Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham. The creation of the Division of Outdoor Recreation is a step towards maximizing and promoting that financial resource. Our antiquated trapping rules are a threat to that economy. Maimed and killed companion animals and gruesome encounters with trapped, suffering wildlife are a blight on our reputation as a destination for outdoor recreation.

The increased setback around trailheads is welcome, but the omission of trails themselves is unconscionable. Department staff say that “trapper behavior” indicates that trappers won’t utilize trails because of the increased setback. Again, no data is provided to support this claim. If this claim is true, there is absolutely no reason that trails should not be closed entirely. At the same time, numerous incidents in past years where the public has found wildlife languishing in traps or experienced their dog caught in a trap have happened down-trail, miles beyond the trailhead.

If, as implied by closure areas and trailhead setbacks, traps represent a danger and a threat on New Mexico’s public lands, the real solution is a closure of all public lands. Closing some areas while leaving others unprotected is an inconsistency that favors some New Mexicans and leaves others exposed to the dangers and trauma imposed by traps.

### **Traps are Indiscriminate**

Traps are indiscriminate. This fact has been born out across the world, the country, and in New Mexico. Approximately 40 endangered Mexican gray wolves have been caught by non-government traps since 1998. Non-target animals including ravens, black bears, ungulates, javelinas, cougars (including spotted kittens), ground dwelling birds, protected squirrels and of course domestic dogs have been caught—sometimes injured, and sometimes killed—in New Mexico. Clarifying in the Proposal that it is unlawful to take certain species does not actually represent a change in outcome in the field.

Both leghold traps and Conibear traps have a high potential for capturing and/or killing non-target animals. Field studies of the Conibear 120 Magnum (used to trap small animals such as minks and pine martens) have shown that non-targeted species constitute more than 73 percent of all captures. Other information shows that between 2 and 10 non-targeted animals are trapped for every target animal captured. Still other studies found that non-targeted animals constitute between 56 percent and 76 percent of leghold trap captures.<sup>8</sup>

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<sup>8</sup> G. Proulx and M. W. Barrett. “Field Testing the C120 Magnum for Mink” Wildlife Society Bulletin 21 (1993): 421–426.

The only way to ensure that non-target animals—including endangered, threatened, non-game, and domestic animals—are not caught in traps is to eliminate traps from the landscape except when used or overseen by scientific professionals.

### **Decimation of Native Wildlife for Commercial and Private Profit**

The NMDGF supports the continuation of trapping native species without sufficient population data on furbearer species. Instead, NMDGF relies on faulty methods to gauge population health. In their presentations about population health, Department staff has insinuated that high bobcat mortalities implies a healthy population, but an increase in swift fox mortalities would be cause for concern—this is a baffling inconsistency. “Catch per unit effort” is cited by the Department as being acceptable for bobcats, but this data is only gathered from successful bobcat trappers which creates an inherent bias that compromises this assertion—there is no accounting for the number of unsuccessful trappers that never report this data. As a result, the primary pillar on which the Department bases its knowledge—and the subsequent broad lack of bag limits and annual kill limits—is the opinion of trappers. The NMDGF is catering to trappers’ wishes by relying on those same trappers to inform its understanding of how native species populations are faring.

Without any actual, scientific studies on furbearer populations, we cannot know that trapping is not or will not harm these populations. We are living through the sixth mass extinction event in Earth's history. In New Mexico’s fragile ecosystems, drought and other climate change implications will possibly make native species’ existences that much more difficult. Biodiversity (both within populations and among different species) is key to the resilience of our ecosystems. There is no publicly available data to suggest that trapping is not harming that biodiversity and resilience.

Moreover, the persecution of native carnivores can have negative consequences for the biome. A study in the Henry Mountains of Utah found that jackrabbits were the main source of competition with cattle for fodder. Intensive culling of coyotes, the main predator of jackrabbits, to supposedly benefit cattle has implication for the vegetative community that underpins ecosystem health and productivity.<sup>9</sup>

The North American Model of Conservation, which is often cited by wildlife managers and policymakers, expressly seeks to eliminate markets for wildlife.<sup>10</sup> Yet the purpose of commercial trapping is for private trappers to profit from the sale of trapped animal pelts. Another tenet declares that science is the proper tool for the discharge of wildlife policy, yet scientific data about the population densities, trends and effects of trapping are largely lacking when it comes to the species in New Mexico exploited for their fur. In short, commercial and recreational trapping is inherently at odds with the North American Model.

The Department should have thorough, scientific, peer-reviewed studies on all native furbearer species populations if it is going to allow harvest of those species. Until that precautionary principle is satisfied, commercial and recreational trapping should cease.

### **Furbearer “Management”**

Trapping has been touted by Department staff as a “legitimate” and “valuable” wildlife management tool. However, the type and scope of trapping has not been specified nor are the reasons stated for its necessity.

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<sup>9</sup> Ranglack, Dustin H, et al. [J Appl Ecol](#). 2015 Apr; 52(2): 467–474. Published online 2015 Jan 26. doi: [10.1111/1365-2664.12386](#)

<sup>10</sup> [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/North\\_American\\_Model\\_of\\_Wildlife\\_Conservation](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/North_American_Model_of_Wildlife_Conservation)

There are no management plans for any trapped species, no stated goals, and no monitoring whether goals are being met, particularly for trapping by private individuals. New Mexico does not know the locations nor the number of traps set each year. Recreational and commercial trapping meets no known definition of the term "management" at all. Moreover, the majority of species trapped in New Mexico are self-regulating—populations are kept balanced by biological carrying capacity, social structures, and the establishment and defense of territories.

Trapping has not been shown to effectively protect against or mitigate livestock depredation concerns and in fact can exacerbate depredation risk when the rigid social structure of canid packs is disrupted by trapping.<sup>11</sup> Arizona and Colorado have both *heavily* restricted trapping and livestock depredation is not shown to have increased.<sup>12</sup>

Despite allusions to disease control by NMDGF staff during a presentation on the Proposal, a study on the Department's own website states that "[t]he influence of trapping on the occurrence and spread of wildlife diseases has not been established definitively."<sup>13</sup> According to the Centers for Disease Control, the National Academy of Sciences and the World Health Organization, as well as numerous other scientific, public health and veterinary organizations, there is no scientific evidence that trapping controls the spread of disease such as rabies.<sup>14</sup>

Because of social disruption, trapping can actually exacerbate disease outbreak as territories go up for grabs and the potential for physical contact caused by disputes between animals increases. The rabies outbreak in gray foxes in southwest New Mexico in 2008 followed an extremely high level of take by trappers. Over 1300 gray foxes were trapped and killed in Grant County alone in the 2007-2008 trapping season. It would appear that trapping not only didn't prevent the outbreak, but it may have instigated and worsened it. Uncoordinated, unplanned, and sporadic recreational and commercial trapping cannot be said to have value in mitigating wildlife diseases like rabies.

Furthermore, trappers do not prize animals culled naturally—typically the ill, aged, infirm, and very young—which can keep wildlife populations healthy. Instead, trappers work against natural selection by removing the healthiest animals with the best fur and discarding the unhealthy ones as by-catch.

Commercial and recreational trapping is not guided by science or driven by a goal. It doesn't follow a plan, and is not specific to any species or geographical region. Therefore, it cannot be characterized in the least as a legitimate wildlife management tool.

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<sup>11</sup> Comelio, Randy. Spring 2018. Using Coyotes to Protect Livestock. Wait. What?

[Oregon Small Farm News: Vol. XIII No. 2](#)

<sup>12</sup> [https://wildearthguardians.org/historical-archive/livestock-losses/;](https://wildearthguardians.org/historical-archive/livestock-losses/)

[https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal\\_health/nahms/general/downloads/cattle\\_calves\\_deathloss\\_2015.pdf](https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/nahms/general/downloads/cattle_calves_deathloss_2015.pdf)

<sup>13</sup> <http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/download/hunting/species/furbearers/Trapping-and-Furbearer-Management-in-North-American-Wildlife-Conservation.pdf>

<sup>14</sup> "Control of Rabies," National Research Council, Subcommittee on Rabies, National Academy of Sciences, Washington, D.C., 1973. Choisy M. and P. Rohani. 2006. Harvesting can increase severity of wildlife disease epidemics. *Proc.R.Soc.B* 273: 2025-2034 "Controlling Wildlife Rabies through Population Reduction: An Ineffective Method," *The Rabies Monitor*, Vol. 4, No.1, Spring 1996.

## Conclusion

**We see no evidence that commercial and recreational trapping provides any benefit to wildlife. It is prohibited in many areas of New Mexico such as national parks and some monuments, the Valles Caldera and even Game Commission owned lands already without negative consequences. For this reason—and given concerns about animal suffering, public safety, and wildlife exploitation—we find it unacceptable anywhere in our state. But it is especially egregious when it occurs on public lands because of the conflict it creates with public use and values. For these reasons, we find the Proposal to be inadequate, and at a minimum urge that the use of traps and snares for private, commercial, or unrestricted depredation purposes be restricted to private lands only.**

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

Mary Katherine Ray  
Wildlife Chair  
Sierra Club Rio Grande Chapter  
Magdalena

Tre Graves  
Field Representative  
Endangered Species Coalition  
Albuquerque

Chris Smith  
Southern Rockies Wildlife Advocate  
WildEarth Guardians  
Santa Fe

Elisabeth Dicharry  
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Wildlife Conservation Advocacy Southwest  
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Amigos Bravos  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [DGF-Furbearer-Rules](#)  
**Subject:** [EXT] Furbearer Rule Development  
**Date:** Thursday, November 14, 2019 9:44:39 PM  
**Attachments:** [nm\\_fish\\_game\\_trapping\\_nov14.pdf](#)

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Hi,  
Attached is my letter regarding the proposed furbearer rule changes.  
Thanks,  
Eric Smith



**From:** Rose Marie Gonzales Nielsen [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 11:48:38 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Please ban traps from NM Public Lands. People and their pets use these lands for recreation and can be caught in one. These traps are indiscriminate in whom the snare. They are not well supervised and living creatures are made to suffer needlessly.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 03:59:40 PM

**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules

**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Dear All,

Traps have no place on New Mexico's public lands. They cause too many accidents, among many other reasons.

Sincerely,

Bruce Donnell

**From:** Robert L Anderson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/06/2019 05:50:52 PM  
**To:** Prukop, Joanna, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Cramer, Gail, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; DGF-Furbearer-Rules  
**Subject:** [EXT] Ban Traps from All New Mexico Public Lands

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Hi,

Trapping on any lands in our beautiful state, public or private should be banned. This is such a barbaric and cruel activity that give us all a black eye in the larger public audience, especially people who might come here as tourists or visitors. I walk many lands in NM it is not clear whether it is private or public and this can cause great suffering to innocent people.

Please ban this outdated activity in our state. We are much better than this and we want to really send a message of concern and care for wildlife, not create a free fire kill zone.

Sincerely,  
Robert Anderson, Ph D

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 09:36:30 AM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Tirzio Lopez,

Traps and snares are cruel and indiscriminate. They have no place on public land. I have seen animals caught in these terrible traps. I cannot believe they are still legal when they serve no benefit.

I frequently hike with my dogs on public land. I worry about the harm and danger that hidden traps pose to humans also.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Judy Alfred

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**From:** Sarah Stout [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/06/2019 10:01:13 PM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Tirzio Lopez,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Sarah Stout

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**From:** Kareyl Vattestad [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 03:51:41 PM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Tirzio Lopez,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Kareyl Vattestad

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**From:** Robert Anderson [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/06/2019 05:41:22 PM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule

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Dear Tirzio Lopez,

This is such a terrible act that has no real economic value to our state anymore, we are not a lawless frontier, and it causes great harm to people like me who walk all over our state lands with my dogs. Others have had the bad luck to be caught in one of these traps. I would like for no one in the public to have to fear this consequence of cruelty.

It should be banned even on private lands too because in the wilderness areas there are no markers of which is what for hikers and people who enjoy the outdoors. We should not be held hostage to this out dated activity. Besides we are trying to use tourism as an industry draw and if people hear these stories of cruel trapping anywhere here they will say, wait a minute maybe I don't want to chance going outdoors here, and that is our major selling point, not cruel trapping.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Robert Anderson

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Lopez, Tirzio, DGF](#)  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 29, 2019 5:15:06 PM

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Dear Tirzio Lopez,

There isn't really anything I can say to you that hasn't been said over and over by others about how inhumane trapping is and how it needs to stop. It is a cruel practice with a horrid slow and painful demise to the victims. Just stop

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Elyssa Tasker

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Lopez, Tirzio, DGF](#)  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comment on trapping and furbearer rule  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 29, 2019 5:15:34 PM

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Dear Tirzio Lopez,

All line trapping should be banned from public lands. Cyanide traps should be banned everywhere as cruel and unnecessary. The extirpation of many species for the fur trade is an archaic example of "life in the old west". With global climate change and historic fires we hardly need fur [coats](#). In this day we need voices for the animals and places where they live. Please update your mission and ban trapping on public lands. Hara Davis

Dear Game Commissioners,  
I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Hara Davis

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**From:** Brian Turnbull [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 09/30/2019 09:59:49 AM  
**To:** DGF-Furbearer-Rules; Liley, Stewart, DGF  
**Cc:** win70270@gmail.com  
**Subject:** [EXT] Comments Regarding Proposed Changes Trapping and Furbearer Rule  
**Attachments:** SKMBT\_C22019092715290.pdf

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I am writing to express my opposition to parts of the recently proposed rule changes for trapping and furbearers. From the Department provided summary dated August 29, 2019 there are three particular items that I would like to address and explain my opposition to. I will attempt to do so in the order that they appear on the summary.

First, it is my opinion that ¼ mile setback distances are quite sufficient for all locations indicated on the summary with the possible exception of extremely high traffic areas and these areas should be treated on an individual basis. Not many trappers care to make sets that are going to be compromised by pets and people, etc. ½ mile setbacks are definitely overkill in many of the general locations within New Mexico that were indicated on the summary. This proposal reeks of the usurpation of common sense by regulation.

The second item that I oppose is; allowing the director, with verbal concurrence of the commission chair to set a bag limit for furbearers. By the Department's Commission Meeting Agenda Briefing for the September 18<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting, which I had previously found on the NMDGF website (I can no longer locate it on the website but I have attached a scanned copy for reference); the background information provided in part 2 of the briefing along with Chief Liley's presentation at the Cloudcroft meeting, to the best of my interpretation, indicates that all is currently well with furbearer management and populations, under the current rule....Here is where through lack of my own understanding, I need to get off into the weeds a little....without clearly understanding exactly how the "four year rule" functions in relation to the current furbearer rule....I don't know if making the trapping and furbearer rule *automatically* allows the bag limit provision as indicated on the summary. If so, then I oppose changing to a four year rule in its entirety. If it does not, I oppose the bag limit provision, as indicated, separately, for the following reason:

Especially within the divided political climate in which we now exist, this provision would allow the potential for just two people to severely impact the income of trappers by manipulating bag limits in relation to fur prices. There are many trappers who depend upon revenue generated by fur sales to at least supplement the cost of their pursuit. This provision could be easily and effectively used as a tool to kill public trapping by the attrition of trappers who could no longer afford to continue due to financial impact. While my understanding of the Department provided background information and Chief Liley's presentation regarding furbearers seems to indicate that the Department has no immediate concern regarding populations of legal furbearers and that populations appear to be healthy and stable, I see no reason to consider the possible imposition of bag limits. As well, the potential for the imposition of bag limits, as indicated in the department summary, allows too much potential for political weaponization.

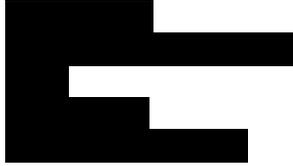
Should the Department and Commission continue to go forward with a rule change that does allow for the potential implementation of furbearer bag limits; at a minimum, the rule should require that the Director initiate the request and that not less than five of the seven Commissioners consent, for approval. This would somewhat help to ensure consistency with one of the founding principles of the North American Model, listed within Director Soane's statement, on the inside cover of the 2019-2020 New Mexico Small Game Hunting Rules and Info booklet: "Science is the proper tool to determine and discharge wildlife policy."

In my reviewing and considering the above paragraphs, regarding bag limits and the four year rule, the Department provided documents, and Chief Liley's presentation that I referenced above; first, I apologize for the convolution of my writing and that I couldn't find a simpler, easier to read, way to express my views. Also, I did a little more research in regard to what the existing trapping and furbearer rules are currently 'under', 19.31.10 NMAC. In light of my additional research, the Department's provided background information and Chief Liley's Cloudcroft presentation, which all seem to indicate that the current trapping and furbearer rules are working fine, along with the lack of any justification, that I have seen presented, for changing to a four year rule, I would like to clearly state; I am opposed to changing to a four year rule and I am opposed to bag limits for furbearers.

The third item on the summary that I am in disagreement with is; the proposed requirement for breakaway devices for all snares set on land. This should be amended to exclude foot snares for cougars. I am aware that there is concurrently a separate proposed rule change being considered, that would disallow the trapping of cougars by the public, which if adopted, would preclude my opposition to the proposed rule change without the exclusion for cougar foot snares.

Thank you for your consideration.

Brian Turnbull



**Brian Turnbull** | Procurement and Bidding Manager



**From:** sara sexton [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 12:05:00 PM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Dear Tirzio Lopez,

I request that the New Mexico Game Commission ban leghold traps, wire snares and poisons throughout the state. Whereas hunters are supposed to know exactly what's in their sights before pulling the trigger, trappers can't be sure which animals will step into their traps. Nontarget animals like family dogs and endangered Mexican gray wolves continue to suffer injuries and even death. And unlike hunting, which often kills animals quickly, trapped animals must endure hours or days without shelter, water or food.

It is not enough to ban trapping in just half a percent of the state. Please move forward and ban traps, snares and poisons statewide knowing that you have my full support.

Sincerely,

sara sexton

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**From:** Flora Martinez [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/08/2019 10:58:23 AM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Please Prohibit Traps, Snares and Poisons

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Sincerely,

Flora Martinez

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**From:** Patty Bilbro [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 08:38:05 AM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] Stop trapping on public land

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Dear Tirzio Lopez,

At a time when respite from the chaos of unchecked human growth and development is getting harder and harder, it is so important to keep our public lands protected. Trapping is an indiscriminate inhuman practice that has no place on our public lands. Our public lands are needed today it?s than ever to keep our ecosystems in balance. Wildlife, humans, and companion animals need to have a place of respite, where they are safe to live in balance with nature, not with the threat of pain and death from being caught in an inhuman trap. Thank you for your consideration.

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patty Bilbro

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**From:** Patty Bilbro [REDACTED]  
**Sent time:** 11/07/2019 08:29:37 AM  
**To:** Lopez, Tirzio, DGF  
**Subject:** [EXT] stop

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Dear Tirzio Lopez,

Dear Game Commissioners,

I oppose allowing commercial and recreational trapping on any of New Mexico's public lands.

Sincerely,

Patty Bilbro

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**From:** [Forman, Nicholas, DGF](#)  
**To:** [DGF-Furbearer-Rules](#)  
**Subject:** FW: B&C RULES—Letter—Carson Forest Watch - Oct 10, 2019  
**Date:** Friday, October 11, 2019 12:02:46 PM  
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From: Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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To: Cramer, Gail, DGF; Soules, David, DGF; Salazar-Henry, Roberta, DGF; Vesbach, Jeremy, DGF; Bates, Jimmy, DGF; Lopez, Tirzio, DGF; DGF-Bear-Cougar-Rules  
Subject: Fw: B&C RULES—Letter—Carson Forest Watch - Oct 10, 2019

Hi, in case this letter didn't come through to you, here it is again....jp

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From: Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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To: Prukop, Joanna, DGF  
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