

Wildlife Allocations Briefing

- Wildlife is a public resource
 - It should be managed to maximize the benefit of British Columbians
 - It should not be privatized
- BC residents, who rely on hunting to fill their freezers and sustain their family, should be given priority when it comes to issuing wildlife allocations
 - British Columbian resident hunters spend \$230 million per year on hunting related expenditures
 - British Columbian resident hunters spend over \$9 million on hunting license fees and surcharges
 - BCWF members donate over 300,000 hours annually to fish and wildlife conservation
- The number of resident hunters has increased by 20% over the last 10 years from 85,000 to 102,000
 - As hunters increase, wildlife populations decrease and resident hunter allocations go down your chances of getting a draw goes down
 - That means fewer hunting opportunities
- The number of non-resident hunters has decreased by 30% over the last 10 years from 6,500 to 4,500
- Most jurisdictions in North America allocate 5-10% of wildlife allocations to non-residents
- The BCWF believes foreign hunters should be limited to a maximum of 10% for moose and elk, and 25% for sheep, grizzly bears and goats and these allocations should be legislated!!
 - Given the number of resident hunters in BC this would give Guide-outfitters the best deal in North America
- Government has given foreign hunters 40% of grizzlies, 35% of goats, unlimited sheep in Region 4, and 20-25% of moose, 20% of elk
 - Guide Outfitters get the best deal in North America

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