

Importation and Retention of Dead Nonresident Wildlife - Decision

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WAC 220-413-030

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Proposed Changes:

1. Include caribou in the list of species with importation restrictions
2. Broaden importation restrictions for deer, elk, moose, and caribou carcasses (or parts) to any area outside of Washington state

(c) To import or possess deer, elk, ~~((or))~~ moose, or
caribou, or parts thereof, harvested ~~((in Alberta, Arkansas,~~
~~Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota,~~
~~Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, New York,~~
~~North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Saskatchewan, South Dakota,~~
~~Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and~~
~~Wyoming))~~ outside Washington state, with the following
exceptions:



Public comment

Common themes:

- General support
- General disagreement
- Lack of belief that CWD can be prevented from establishment by this rule change
- Concern over onerous requirements regarding harvest processing
- Concern that out of state hunting becomes more difficult
- Concern that the rule won't be effective or enforceable
- Sentiment that existing rules work and a change is unnecessary
- Concern over feeding and baiting
- Concern over the impacts of predation on ungulates
- Confusion over the proposal (comments about banning baiting or feeding)

GMAC input: 55% (6/11) agree with proposed changes

- Support for disease prevention, but concern about making out-of-state hunting difficult and wording of restrictions



Recommendation WAC 220-413-030

Motion Language:

**I move to adopt the
recommended rule changes as
presented by Department staff.**

Is there a “second”?

