# Moose, Bighorn Sheep, and Mountain Goat Seasons and Permit Quotas

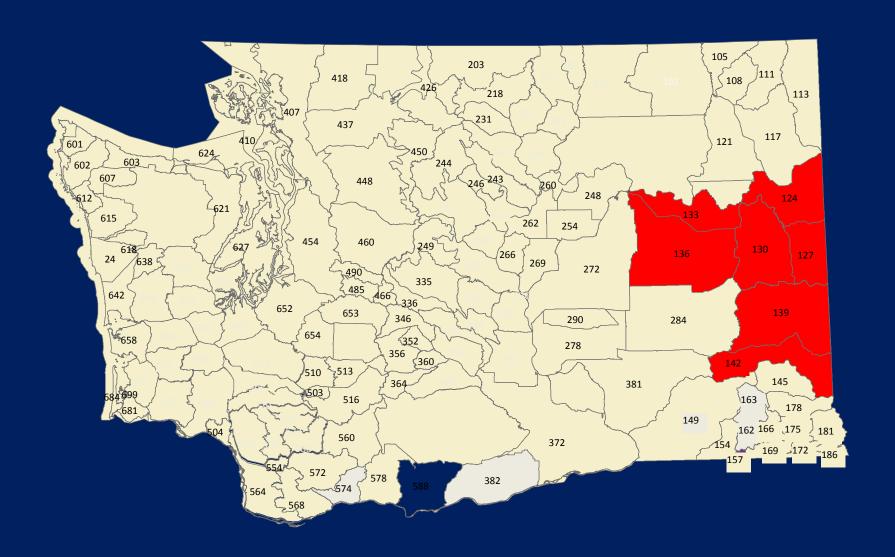
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### 232-28-273 - Moose



- Currently, 10 master hunter permits provided
- In recent years, few used
- Recommended changes to allow flexibility:
  - Permits to allow taking bulls as well as cows
  - Season begins 1 August (rather than 1 December)
  - Expand geographic scope

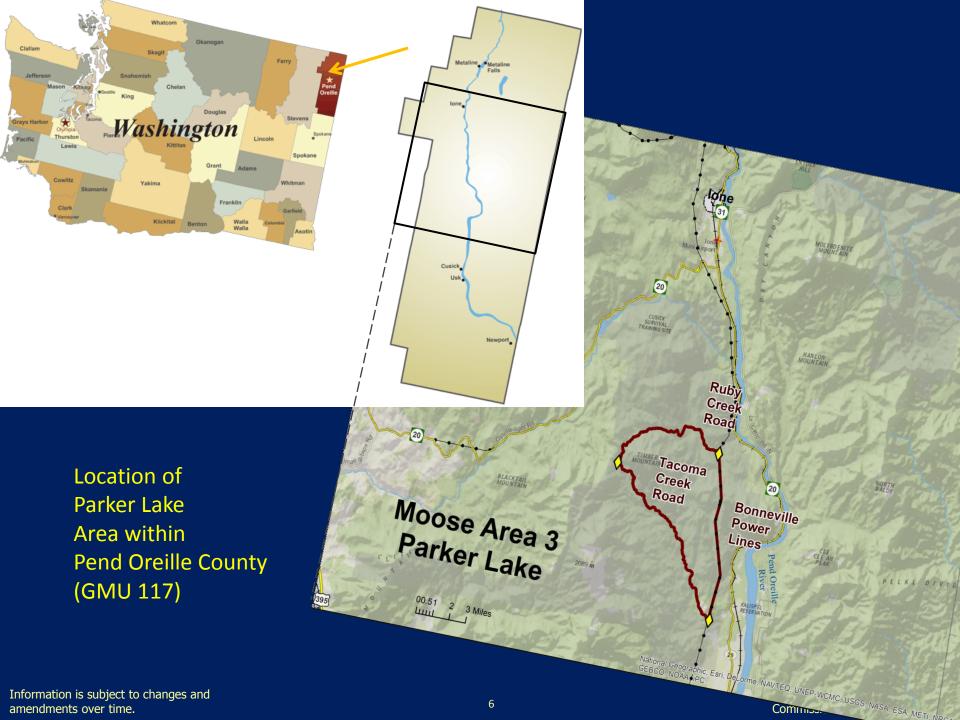




#### 232-28-273 - Moose

- New hunting opportunity in Parker Lake area (GMU 117):
  - Early season (Sep 1-26), Archery only, 2 permits
  - Not-quite-so-early season (Sep 27-Oct 5),
     Muzzleloader only, 2 permits
  - Any moose (mostly bulls)





## 232-28-622 Bighorn sheep

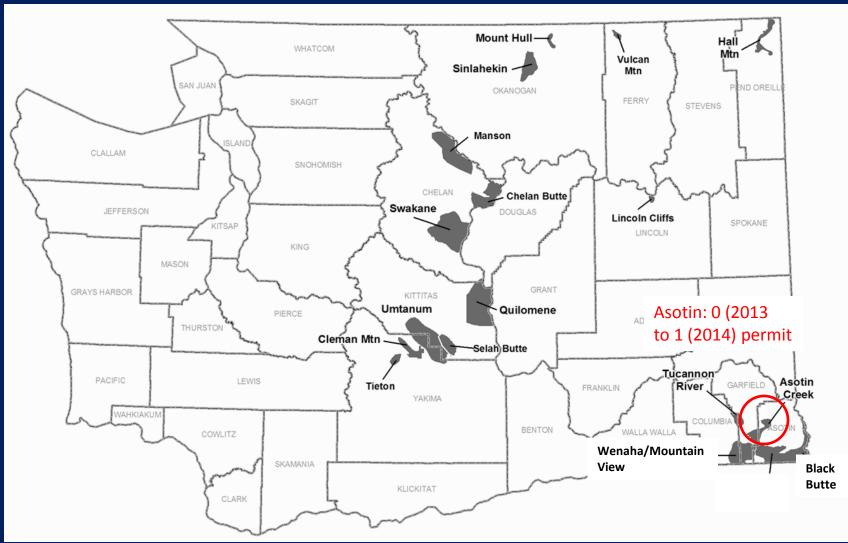
- Minor revisions in permits
- All respond to Game Management Plan and recent survey information



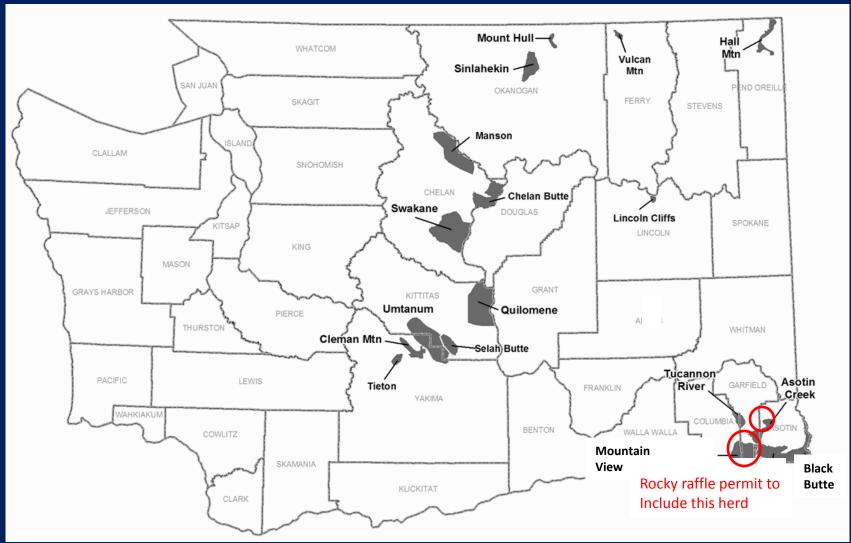
#### Washington bighorn herds



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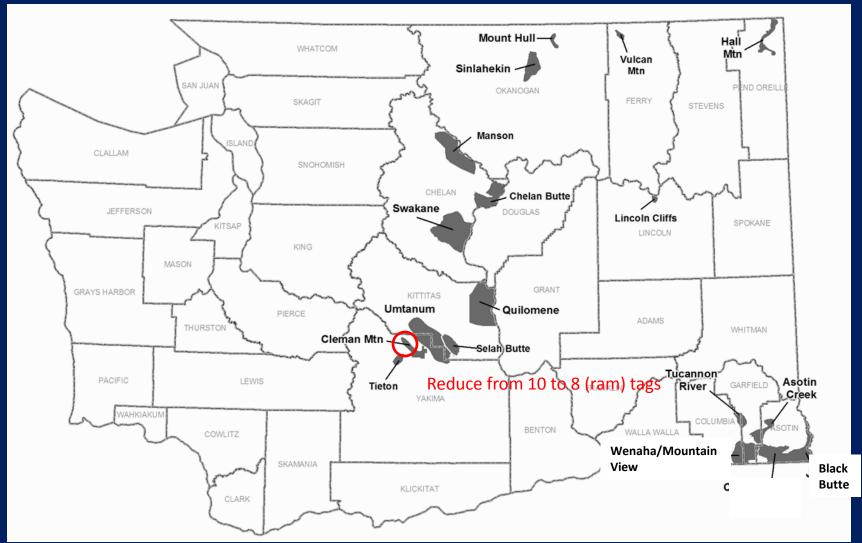
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## 232-28-623 Mountain goats

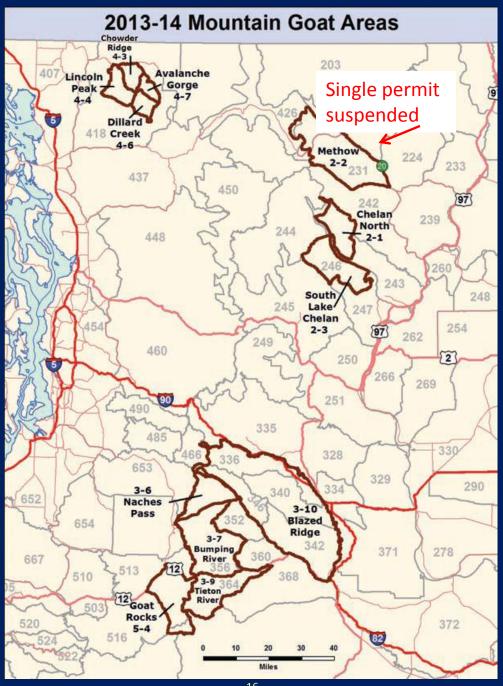
 Small revisions to permit numbers in existing mountain goat hunts

Responding to recent survey estimates and

Game Management Plan



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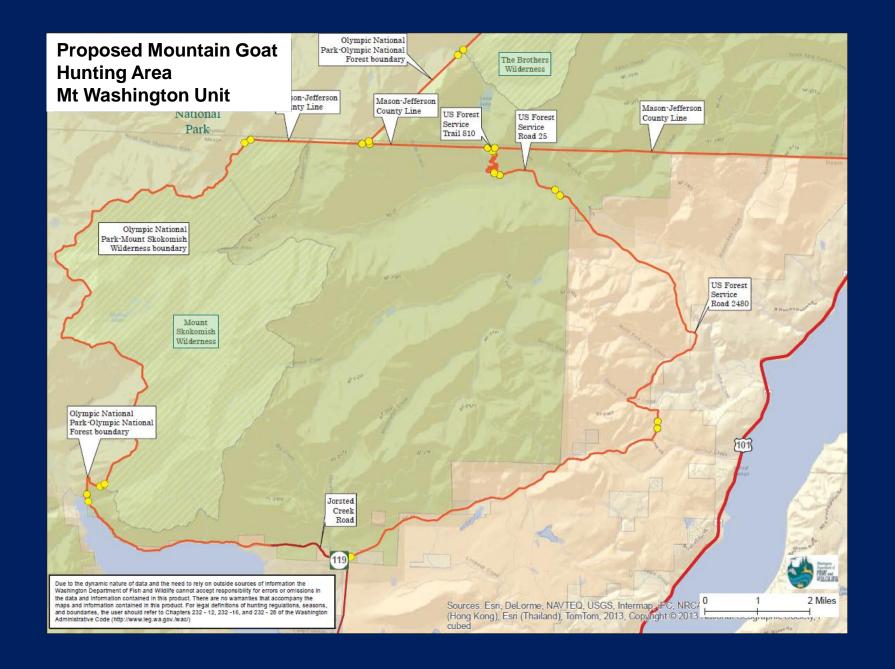
Chowder Ridge: Unused permits from 2013

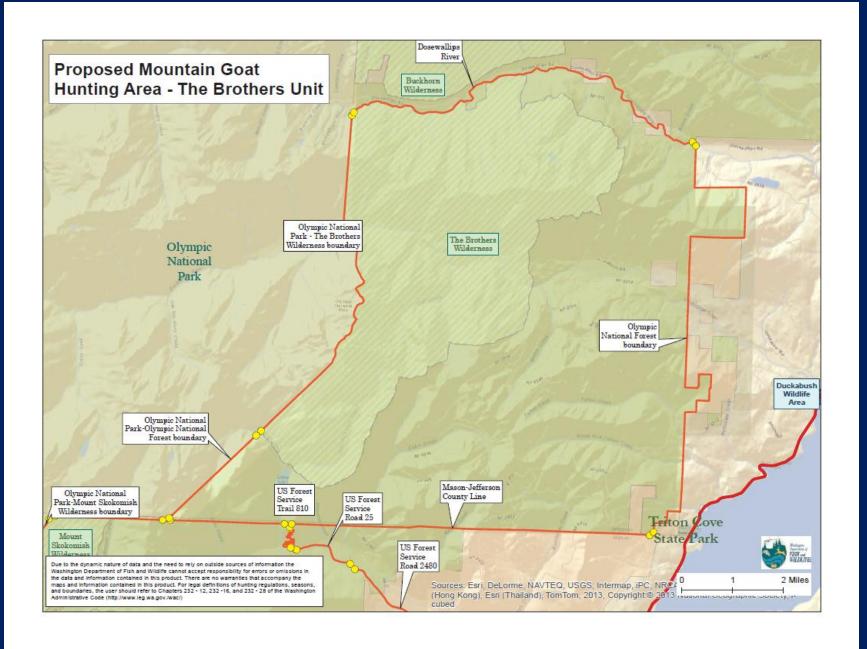
## 232-28-623 Mountain goats

- New hunts on Olympic Peninsula
- "Conflict reduction"
- Different from the conservative, sustainable goat hunts elsewhere



- Developed in cooperation with Olympic NF
- "Mt. Washington A": Sep 15-25 (2 permits)
- "Mt Washington B": Sep 26-Oct 6 (2 permits)
- "Brothers": Sep 15-25 (2 permits)









## Questions?

