

**WACs 220-415-040, 220-415-010,
220-410-050, 220-413-180, and 220-413-030.**

Hunting Boundaries



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Elk Area Descriptions

WAC 220-415-040

- Propose permanent Elk Area 1075 to help mitigate Cloverland elk conflict.
- Propose new Elk Area 1082 George Creek.
 - This Elk Area will help mitigate potential elk conflict in the future.
- Propose clarification to Elk Area 4601 boundaries.
 - Proposal addresses changes in ownership over recent years.

Elk Area Descriptions

WAC 220-415-040 continued

- Propose expansion of Elk Area 5099 Mudflow.
 - Proposed expansion will improve the hunting experience and makes boundaries easier to understand.
- Propose expansion of Elk Area 6014.
 - Expansion would better address elk conflict in the Buckley area.
- Propose Elk Area 6612 to address elk conflict near Forks and the Forks airport.

Deer Area Descriptions

WAC 220-415-010

- Propose deleting Deer Area 1030 Republic.
 - Deer Area is no longer needed.
- Propose deleting Deer Areas 1050 Spokane North, 1060 Spokane South, and Deer Area 1070 Spokane West.
 - These Deer Areas are not accomplishing what was intended and have created additional problems associated with access and trespass.
- Propose deleting Deer Area 1080 Colfax.
 - Deer Area is no longer needed
- Propose creating Deer Area 4541 North Issaquah.
 - This Deer Area is intended to allow additional harvest of deer on the urban-suburban interface when not disallowed by municipal ordinances.

GMU Boundary Descriptions – Region 5

WAC 220-410-050

- House cleaning.
- Propose adjusting boundary direction down stream for GMU 522 Loo-Wit.
- Propose adjusting boundary direction up stream for GMU 560 Lewis River.

Special Closures and Firearm Restriction Areas

WAC 220-413-180

- Propose adding mountain goat as an exception to the Restricted Hunting Areas, GMU 522 Loo-Wit, section (e).
- Propose clarifying when archery restrictions are in place for a Firearm Restriction Area in King County.
- Propose clarifying which weapons are allowed for a firearm restriction on Ketron Island in Pierce County.

Importation and Retention of Dead Nonresident Wildlife WAC 220-413-030

- One of the intentions of this WAC is to reduce the risk of Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) entering Washington.
- To date, Washington has not detected CWD in the state.
- In recent months, the states of Montana and Mississippi have detected CWD in wild, free-ranging deer.
- Propose to add the states of Montana and Mississippi to the list of states and provinces in this WAC.
 - The WAC requires that hunters conduct additional processing to deer, elk, and moose harvested in those states, before the carcasses can be brought home to Washington.

Questions?

