

FWP response to potential amendment to increase the proposed 2023 wolf harvest quota from 289 to 300 wolves; to increase the proposed 2023 region 1 wolf harvest quota from 120 to 131 wolves; and to initiate a commission review with potential for in-season adjustments to wolf hunting and trapping regulations when wolf harvest is with 25% of the quota.

FWP RESPONSE: The proposed amendment is consistent with state law 87-1-901(1) in that the amendment represents “the intent to reduce the wolf population in this state to a sustainable level, but not less than the number of wolves necessary to support at least 15 breeding pairs.”

This proposed quota increase, assuming it results in additional harvest, generates a slightly smaller predicted wolf population relative to the FWP proposed quota of 289 wolves.