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From: Kyle Ball <highlinesupply@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 7, 2023 3:39 PM
To: FWP Commission
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Review my Comment Supporting "Commissioner Brooke Sponsored Amendment" for HD 339/421 Boundary Change

MT FWP Wildlife Commissioners,

Please review and record my following comment in support of the Sponsored Amendment for Commissioner Brooke for the proposed boundary change for HD 339/421 .

As mentioned in the Amendment, there is no biological argument for changing the current boundaries. It is my opinion that it would be unwise to change the current boundaries and simultaneously reduce OTC hunter access to nearly 8,000 acres when there is seemingly no justification for doing so.

Also worth noting is that there were no comments recorded in support of the original amendment, and considerable opposition from both landowners and the general public. I appreciate the commission as a whole, and Commissioner Brooke specifically, for being objective and willing to change the original proposal.

Thank you,
Kyle Ball

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From: Brian Anderson <brian.t.anderson@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 7, 2023 3:25 PM
To: FWP Commission
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Comment in Support of Commissioner Brooke's Sponsored Amendment

Fish and Wildlife Commissioners:

I'm writing in support of Commissioner Brooke's Amendment to eliminate the proposal to realign the hunting district boundaries between deer-elk HD 339 and 421 in favor of retaining the existing boundaries, as described in the 22-23 HD legal descriptions.

This Amendment was dated 12/1/2023 and therefore subject to comment until 12/7/2023.

As you know, there was extensive, thoughtful, public feedback against this proposal and not one public comment in support of this proposal.

I'm grateful that FWP staff (wildlife managers to enforcement personnel) in Region 3 and Region 4 worked in a cooperative posture to understand the public comment in this area and fostered relationships from all interested parties to understand that the rationale for the original proposal was without merit. I'm grateful for Commissioner Brooke's engagement on this matter. I do wish I heard about more engagement from Commissioner Walsh, in Region 4, on this matter.

I agree with Commissioner Brooke, and FWP department staff, and respectfully request the Commission retain the existing boundaries between deer-elk for HD 339 and 421.

Respectfully,

Brian Anderson
Helena, MT