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## Meeting follow-up

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**Mowry, Rebecca** <RMowry@mt.gov>

Thu, Jul 20, 2023 at 9:39 AM

To: "commissionerregion2@mtfwp.org" &lt;commissionerregion2@mtfwp.org&gt;

Hi Jeff, here are those things we talked about during our meeting on Monday.

2023 list of 270-45 BTB permit holders: 3899 total, 618 from other states = 15.8 % nonresident, so I stand corrected on that (I thought it would be 10% or less), but not over by a whole lot.

I do keep track of the NR/R breakdown in harvest at the Darby Check Station. Last year, of 74 brow-tined bulls through the check station, 8 were harvested by non-residents (11%). However, according to the harvest survey, around 30% of harvest on the 270-45 permit is from NRs. Usually our check station data tracks pretty well with phone survey data, but in this case it doesn't. It could be because NRs are more likely to hunt during the week, when the check station is closed. So, together, this suggests that NRs have a disproportionately higher harvest rate than Rs on that permit. It would be interesting to know how many of those NRs are outfitted—I don't know if we track that info statewide or not. We don't track that at Darby.

I've also attached the list of publications Dean Waltee (Sheridan area bio) sent me a few years ago related to antler point restrictions. It looks like it has not been updated since 2008, so there could be some more recent literature out there. I'll reach out to Dean and see if he has an updated list.

Let me know if you'd prefer me to use a different e-mail address too!

Thanks,

Rebecca Mowry  
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Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks  
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Here is a fact sheet on antler point restrictions from the Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.  
<https://wafwa.org/wpdm-package/fact-sheet-6-understanding-mule-deer-and-antler-point-restrictions/>

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To: "Mowry, Rebecca" <RMowry@mt.gov>

Mon, Jul 24, 2023 at 11:24 AM

Rebecca,

Thanks, good data. This email address is fine for correspondence.

Jeff

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**Mowry, Rebecca** <RMowry@mt.gov>  
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Thu, Oct 12, 2023 at 1:45 PM

Hi Jeff, here is the mule deer data summary from last year. I did not end up updating it with data from the harvest phone survey, which showed the 270-50 fill rate was lower than average. I sent this to Chris Fortune some months ago.

As for the "management plan" I've been working on for 270, it's still in draft form and hasn't been reviewed by Liz yet; I think she (and I) are still not sure where it should "live" as it is not part of the official FWP Adaptive Harvest Management Plan. But it exists and we can definitely talk about it anytime.

Rebecca

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Fri, Oct 13, 2023 at 1:28 PM

Great info, thanks Rebecca. Hopefully I will be meeting with all the R2 biologists before December FWP meeting.

Jeff

*Jeff Burrows*

*Fish and Wildlife Commissioner  
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On Oct 12, 2023, at 1:45 PM, Mowry, Rebecca <rmowry@mt.gov> wrote:

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