STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FISH AND GAME COMMISSION
FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR REGULATORY ACTION

Amend Subsection 360(a)
Title 14, California Code of Regulations (CCR)
Re: Deer: A, B, C, and D Zone Hunts

I. Date of Initial Statement of Reasons: November 1, 2012

II. Dates of Pre-adoption Statement of Reasons: March 6, 2013

III. Date of Final Statement of Reasons: April 17, 2013

IV. Dates and Locations of Scheduled Hearings:

(a)	Notice Hearing:	Date:	December 12, 2012
		Location:	San Diego
(b)	Discussion Hearings:	Date:	March 6, 2013
		Location:	Mt. Shasta
(c)	Adoption Hearing:	Date:	April 17, 2013
		Location:	Santa Rosa

V. Update:

Existing regulations provide for the number of license tags available in the A, B, C and D Zones. The original proposal changed the number of tags to a series of tag ranges and made minor editorial changes for consistency in subsection numbering, spelling, grammar, and clarification. After collection of fall/spring herd survey data, harvest data and subsequent population analysis, the proposal is further modified to provide the final tag quotas based on these analyses.

Pursuant to its April 17, 2013 meeting in Santa Rosa, the Fish and Game Commission adopted the final tag quotas (modified proposal) identified in the table within the Updated Informative Digest.

VI. Summary of Primary Considerations Raised in Opposition and in Support:

Please see:
"Public Comments and Responses for Mammal Hunting Regulations 2013"

VII. Location and Index of Rulemaking File:

A rulemaking file with attached file index is maintained at:
California Fish and Game Commission
1416 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

VIII. Location of Department files:

Department of Fish and Wildlife
1812 Ninth Street
Sacramento, CA 95811

IX. Description of Reasonable Regulatory Alternatives to Regulatory Action:

(a) Alternatives to Regulation Change:

1. Number of Tags

There is no reasonable alternative to the proposed action.

2. Minor Editorial Changes

There is no reasonable alternative to the proposed action.

(b) No Change Alternative:

1. Number of Tags

The “No Change Alternative” was considered and found inadequate to attain the project objectives. Retaining the current number of tags for the zones listed may not be responsive to changes in the status of the herds. The deer herd management plans specify objective levels for the proportion of bucks in the herds. These ratios are maintained and managed in part by modifying the number of tags. The “No Change Alternative” would not allow management of the desired proportion of bucks stated in the approved deer herd management plans.

2. Minor Editorial Changes

The “No Change Alternative” was considered and found inadequate to attain the project objectives, because inconsistencies in section and subsection references, numbering, spelling, grammar and lack of clarification would exist within the regulations, potentially leading to confusion and possible violations.

(c) Consideration of Alternatives:

In view of information currently possessed, no reasonable alternative considered would be more effective in carrying out the purposes for which the regulation is proposed, would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the adopted regulation, or would be more cost effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provision of law.

X. Impact of Regulatory Action:

The potential for significant statewide adverse economic impacts that might result from the proposed regulatory action has been assessed, and following initial determinations relative to the required statutory categories have been made.

(a) Significant Statewide Adverse Economic Impact Directly Affecting Businesses, Including the Ability of California Businesses to Compete with Businesses in Other States.

The proposed action will not have a significant statewide adverse economic impact directly affecting business, including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states. The proposed action adjusts tag quotas for existing hunts and makes minor editorial changes for consistency. Given the number of tags available and the area over which they are distributed, these proposals are economically neutral to business.

Creation or Elimination of Jobs Within the State, the Creation of New Businesses or the Elimination of Existing Businesses, or the Expansion of Businesses in California

Depending on the final season structure that the Commission adopts, the following statewide impacts to businesses may occur. The potential impacts range from 0 to 1943 jobs. The impacted businesses are generally small businesses employing few individuals and, like all small businesses, are subject to failure for a variety of causes. The long-term intent of the proposed action is to increase sustainability in big game mammals, subsequently, the long-term viability of these same small businesses.

Benefits of the Regulation:

<u>Benefits to the Environment: Sustainable Management of Big Game Resources</u>. Adoption of scientifically-based seasons, zones, and tag quotas provides for the maintenance of sufficient populations of deer, big horn sheep, pronghorn antelope and elk, to ensure their continued existence.

<u>Promotion of Businesses That Rely on Statewide Hunting</u>. Adoption of scientifically-based seasons, zones and tag quotas provides for the maintenance of sufficient populations of deer, big horn sheep, pronghorn antelope and elk to ensure their continued existence and future sport hunting opportunities.

<u>Health and Welfare of California Residents</u>. Hunting provides outdoor recreational opportunities for not only the hunters, but for family and friends who are non-hunting members of the group, and are able to participate in hiking, fishing and other outdoor activities.

(b) Impact on the Creation or Elimination of Jobs Within the State, the Creation of New Businesses or the Elimination of Existing Businesses, or the Expansion of Businesses in California.

Creation or Elimination of Jobs Within the State, the Creation of New Businesses or the Elimination of Existing Businesses, or the Expansion of Businesses in California
The proposed regulations will set the 2013-2014 big game hunting regulations for deer, big horn sheep, pronghorn antelope and elk. Currently, the season dates and tag quotas are established based on surveys and other biological assessments made by Department of Fish and Game (department) biologists during the winter of 2013. Each year the department reviews the population status of individual herds and recommends a range of possible tag quotas based on current production and over-winter survival rates. Adverse impacts to jobs and/or businesses that provide services to various regional hunting zones are not anticipated because of the relatively small number of tags issued to hunters.

Under a normal season, State big game hunters contribute about $82,624,000 in hunting trip-related expenditures to the State's business sector. This is based on the latest, 2006 US Fish and Wildlife national survey of fishing, hunting, and wildlife associated recreation for California. Adding the indirect and induced effects of this initial revenue contribution and the total benefit to California's economy is normally about $231,878,000. This is equivalent to about $87,418,006 in total wage earnings to Californians, or about 1943 jobs in the state. Depending on the final season structure that the Commission adopts, the following statewide impacts to businesses may occur. The potential impacts range from 0 to 1943 jobs. The impacted businesses are generally small and localized businesses employing few individuals and, like all small businesses, are subject to failure for a variety of causes. Most of these businesses do not restrict their commerce to hunting activities alone. Additionally, the long-term intent of the proposed action is to increase sustainability in big game mammals, subsequently, the long-term viability of these same small businesses.

(c) Cost Impacts on Private Persons.

The agency is not aware of any cost impacts that a representative private person would necessarily incur in reasonable compliance with the proposed action.

(d) Costs or Savings to State Agencies or Costs/Savings in Federal Funding to the State.

None

(e) Other Nondiscretionary Costs/Savings to Local Agencies.

None

(f) Programs Mandated on Local Agencies or School Districts.

None

(g) Costs Imposed on Any Local Agency or School District that is Required to be Reimbursed under Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4.

None

(h) Effect on Housing Costs.

None

UPDATED INFORMATIVE DIGEST
(Policy Statement Overview)

Existing regulations provide for the number of license tags available for the A, B, C, and D Zones. This regulatory proposal changes the number of tags for all existing zones to a series of ranges presented in the table below. These ranges are necessary, as the final number of tags cannot be determined until spring herd data are collected in March/April. Because severe winter conditions can have an adverse effect on herd recruitment and over-winter adult survival, final tag quotas may fall below the proposed range into the "Low Kill" alternative identified in the 2007 Environmental Document Regarding Deer Hunting. Additionally, minor editorial changes were necessary to provide consistency in subsection numbering, spelling, grammar, and clarification.

The original proposal changed the number of tags to a series of tag ranges. After collection of fall/spring herd survey data, harvest data and subsequent population analysis, the proposal is further modified to provide the final tag quotas based on these analyses.

Pursuant to its April 17, 2013 meeting in Santa Rosa, the Fish and Game Commission adopted the final tag quotas (modified proposal) identified in the following table:

Deer: § 360(a) A, B, C, and D Zone Hunts Tag Allocations			
Zone	**Current**	**Original Proposal**	**Modified Proposal**
A	65,000	30,000-65,000	65,000
B	35,000	35,000-65,000	35,000
C	8,150	5,000-15,000	8,150
D3-5	33,000	30,000-40,000	33,000
D-6	10,000	6,000-16,000	10,000
D-7	9,000	4,000-10,000	9,000
D-8	8,000	5,000-10,000	8,000
D-9	2,000	1,000-2,500	2,000
D-10	700	400-800	700
D-11	5,500	2,500-6,000	5,500
D-12	950	100-1,500	950
D-13	4,000	2,000-5,000	4,000
D-14	3,000	2,000-3,500	3,000
D-15	1,500	500-2,000	1,500
D-16	3,000	1,000-3,500	3,000
D-17	500	100-800	500

Deer: § 360(a) A, B, C, and D Zone Hunts Tag Allocations			
Zone	**Current**	**Original Proposal**	**Modified Proposal**
D-19	1,500	500-2,000	1,500

Subsection (a) of Section 360 is amended to read:

§360. Deer.
Except as otherwise provided in this Title 14, deer may be taken only as follows:
(a) A, B, C, and D Zone Hunts.
(1) Zone A.
(A) Area: Shall include all of Zone A-South Unit 110 and Zone A-North Unit 160 (see subsections 360(a)(1)(A)1. through 2.).
1. South Unit 110. In those portions of Alameda, Contra Costa, Fresno, Kern, Kings, Los Angeles, Madera, Merced, Monterey, San Benito, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Stanislaus, Tulare and Ventura counties within a line beginning at the intersection of Highway 99 and the San Joaquin-Sacramento county line at Dry Creek; south on Highway 99 to Highway 166 in Kern County; west on Highway 166 to Highway 33; south on Highway 33 to Sespe Creek; east and south along Sespe Creek to Highway 126; east on Highway 126 to Interstate 5; south on Interstate 5 and 405 to Interstate 10; west on Interstate 10 to the Pacific Ocean; north on the Pacific Ocean coastline to the San Mateo-San Francisco county line; east on the San Mateo-San Francisco county line to the Alameda county line; north on the Alameda-San Francisco county line to the Contra Costa-San Francisco county line; northwest on Contra Costa-San Francisco county line to the Contra Costa-Marin county line; northeast on the Contra Costa-Marin county line to the Contra Costa-Solano county line in San Pablo Bay; east on the Contra Costa-Solano county line and the Sacramento River to the confluence of the San Joaquin River and Sacramento-Contra Costa county line; east on the Sacramento-Contra Costa county line and San Joaquin River to the confluence of the Mokelumne River and San Joaquin-Sacramento county line; northeast on the San Joaquin-Sacramento county line and Mokelumne River to the confluence of Dry Creek; east on the San Joaquin-Sacramento county line and Dry Creek to the point of beginning at Highway 99.
2. North Unit 160. In those portions of Colusa, Glenn, Lake, Marin, Mendocino, Napa, Sacramento, Solano, Sonoma and Yolo within a line beginning at the junction of the mouth of Hardy Creek (Mendocino County) and the Pacific Ocean; east along Hardy Creek to Highway 1; north along Highway 1 to Highway 101; south along Highway 101 to Commercial Avenue in the town of Willits; east on Commercial Avenue to the Hearst-Willits Road (County Road 306); north and east on the Hearst-Willits Road to the Main Eel River; southeast on the Main Eel River to Lake Pillsbury at Scott Dam; southeast along the west shore of Lake Pillsbury and the Rice Fork of the Eel River to Forest Service Road M-10; east on Forest Service Road M-10 to Forest Service Road 17N16; east on Forest Service Road 17N16 to Forest Service Road M-10; east on Forest Service Road M-10 to Letts Valley-Fouts Spring Road; east on the Letts Valley-Fouts Spring Road to the Elk Creek-Stonyford Road (County Road 306); north on the Elk Creek-Stonyford Road to the Glenn-Colusa county line; east along the Glenn-Colusa County line to Interstate 5; Interstate 5 south to Highway 99 in the City of Sacramento; Highway 99 south to the Sacramento/San Joaquin County line at Dry Creek, west along the Sacramento/San Joaquin County line and Dry Creek to the confluence with the Mokelumne River, southwest on the Sacramento/San Joaquin County line and Mokelumne River to the confluence with the San Joaquin River and Sacramento/Contra Costa County line, west on the Sacramento/Contra Costa County line and San Joaquin River to the confluence of the Sacramento River and Solano/Contra Costa County line, west on the Sacramento River and Solano/Contra Costa County line to the Marin

County line in San Pablo Bay, southwest on the Marin/Contra Costa and Marin/San Francisco county lines to the North Peninsula shoreline near the Golden Gate Bridge, west on the shoreline to the Pacific Ocean coastline, northwest on the Pacific Ocean coastline to the point of beginning.
(B) Season: The season in Zone A-South Unit 110 and Zone A-North Unit 160 shall open on the second Saturday in August and extend for 44 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.
(D) Number of Tags: 65,000. Zone A tags are valid in Zone A-South Unit 110 and Zone A-North Unit 160.
(2) Zone B.
(A) Area: Shall include all of Zones B-1, B-2, B-3, B-4, B-5 and B-6 (see subsections 360(a)(2)(A) 1-6).
1. Zone B-1.
In the County of Del Norte and those portions of Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Mendocino, Siskiyou and Trinity counties within a line: Beginning at the California-Oregon state line and the Pacific Ocean; east along the state line to the point where Cook-Green Pass Road (Forest Service Road 48N20) intersects the California-Oregon state line; south on the Cook-Green Pass Road to Highway 96 near Seiad Valley; west and south along Highway 96 to Highway 299 at Willow Creek; southeast along Highway 299 to the South Fork of the Trinity River; southeast along the South Fork of the Trinity River to the boundary of the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness Area; southwest along the boundary of the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness Area to the Four Corners Rock-Washington Rock Trail; south and east on the Four Corners Rock-Washington Rock Trail to the North Fork of Middle Fork Eel River; south on the North Fork of Middle Fork Eel River to Middle Fork Eel River; east on Middle Fork Eel River to confluence with Balm of Gilead Creek; north and east on Balm of Gilead Creek to confluence with Minnie Creek; east and south on Minnie Creek to Soldier Ridge Trail; north on Soldier Ridge Trail to Summit Trail; south on Summit Trail to Green Springs Trail head at Pacific Crest Road (U.S. Forest Service Road M-2); south on the Mendocino Pass Road to the intersection of Forest Highway 7; west on Forest Highway 7 to the Middle Fork of the Eel River near Eel River Work Center; southwest on the Middle Fork of the Eel River to the Black Butte River; Black Butte River to the Glenn-Mendocino county line; south along the Glenn-Mendocino and Lake-Mendocino county lines to the northern boundary of State Game Refuge 2-A; east and south along the northern and eastern boundaries of State Game Refuge 2-A to the Glenn-Lake near Sheetiron Mountain; south along the Glenn-Lake and Colusa-Lake county lines to Forest Service Road 17N16; west on Forest Service Road 17N16 to Forest Service Road M-10; west on Forest Service Road M-10 to the Rice Fork of the Eel River; northwest along the Rice Fork of the Eel River and the shore of Lake Pillsbury to the Main Eel River at Scott Dam; west and north along the Main Eel River to the Hearst-Willits Road; southwest on the Hearst-Willits Road to Commercial Avenue; west on Commercial Avenue to Highway 101; north on Highway 101 to Highway 1 at Leggett; west on Highway 1 to its intersection with the South Fork of the Eel River; north and west along the South Fork of the Eel River to the main Eel River; west and north along the main Eel River to mouth of the Eel River and north along the Pacific coastline to the point of beginning.
2. Zone B-2.
In those portions of Humboldt, Shasta, Siskiyou, Tehama, and Trinity counties within a line beginning at the intersection of Interstate 5 and Highway 299 in Redding; west on

Highway 299 to the Bully Choop Mountain Road at the Shasta-Trinity county line and Buckhorn Summit; south on the Bully Choop Mountain Road to a point where this road leaves the Shasta-Trinity county line at Mud Springs; southwest along the Shasta-Trinity county line to the Browns Creek-Harrison Gulch Road; south on the Browns Creek-Harrison Gulch Road to Highway 36; east on Highway 36 (200 yards) to Forest Service Arterial Road 41; south on Forest Service Arterial Road 41 to Stuart Gap at the Tehama-Trinity county line; south on the Tehama-Trinity county line to the north boundary of the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness Area; west and south on the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness boundary to the South Fork of the Trinity River; north and west along the South Fork of the Trinity River to Highway 299; west and north on Highway 299 to Highway 96 at Willow Creek; north on Highway 96 to the Cecilville-Salmon River Road (Forest Service Road 93) at Somes Bar; east along the Cecilville-Salmon River Road to Highway 3 at Callahan; east along Highway 3 to the Gazelle-Callahan Road (Forest Service Road 1219); east along the Gazelle-Callahan Road to Highway 99; north along Highway 99 to Louie Road; east along Louie Road to Interstate 5; south along Interstate 5 to the point of beginning.

3. Zone B-3.

In those portions of Colusa, Glenn, Lake, Mendocino, and Tehama counties within a line beginning at the intersection of Interstate 5 and Black Butte Reservoir Road; south on Interstate 5 to the Glenn-Colusa county line; west along the Glenn-Colusa county line to the Elk Creek-Stonyford Road (County Road 306); south on the Elk Creek-Stonyford Road to the Letts Valley-Fouts Spring Road; west on the Letts Valley-Fouts Spring Road through Fouts Spring to Forest Service Road M-10; west on Forest Service Road M-10 to the Colusa-Lake county line; north along the Colusa-Lake and Glenn-Lake county lines to the eastern boundary of State Game Refuge 2-A, near Sheetiron Mountain; north and west along the eastern and northern boundaries of State Game Refuge 2-A to the Lake-Mendocino county line; north on the Lake-Mendocino and Glenn-Mendocino county lines to the Black Butte River; northwest along the Black Butte River to the Middle Fork of the Eel River; east and north along the Middle Fork of the Eel River to Forest Highway 7 near the Eel River Work Center; east on Forest Highway 7 to the Low Gap-Government Flat Road; north on the Low Gap-Government Flat Road to the Round Valley-Paskenta Road at Government Flat; east on the Round Valley-Paskenta Road to the Black Butte Lake-Newville Road; south and east on the Black Butte Lake-Newville Road to Interstate 5 at the point of beginning.

4. Zone B-4.

In those portions of Mendocino and Humboldt counties within a line beginning at the mouth of Hardy Creek and the Pacific Ocean; north along the Pacific coastline to the mouth of the Eel River; east and south along the main Eel River to the South Fork of the Eel River; south along the South Fork of the Eel River to state Highway 1 at Leggett; west on state Highway 1 to Hardy Creek; west along Hardy Creek to the point of beginning.

5. Zone B-5.

In those portions of Glenn, Mendocino, Shasta, Tehama and Trinity counties within a line beginning at the intersection of Highway 299 and Interstate 5 in Redding; south along Interstate 5 to the Black Butte Lake- Newville Road near Orland; west and north on the Black Butte Lake-Newville Road to the Round Valley-Paskenta Road; west on the Round Valley-Paskenta Road to the Pacific Crest Road (U.S. Forest Service Road M-2) near Government Flat; north on the Pacific Crest Road to the Summit Trailhead at Green Springs; north along Summit Trail to Soldier Ridge Trail; south and west along

Soldier Ridge Trail to Minnie Creek; north and west on Minnie Creek to Balm of Gilead Creek; west on Balm of Gilead Creek to the Middle Fork of the Eel River; west on the Middle Fork of the Eel River to the North Fork of the Middle Fork of the Eel River; north on the North Fork of the Middle Fork of the Eel River to the Four Corners Rock-Washington Rock Trail; north and west on the Four Corners Rock-Washington Rock Trail to the boundary of the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness Area; north along the boundary of the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness Area to the Tehama-Trinity county line; north on the Tehama-Trinity county line to Forest Service Arterial Road 41 at Stuart Gap; north on Forest Service Arterial Road 41 to Highway 36; west on Highway 36 (200 yards) to the Browns Creek-Harrison Gulch Road; north on the Browns Creek-Harrison Gulch Road to the Shasta-Trinity county line; northeast along the Shasta-Trinity county line to Mud Springs, where the Bully Choop Mountain Road joins the Shasta-Trinity county line; north on the Bully Choop Mountain Road to Highway 299 at Buckhorn Summit and the Shasta-Trinity county line; east on ~~HIghway~~Highway 299 to Interstate 5 in Redding.

6. Zone B-6.

In that portion of Siskiyou County within a line beginning at the California-Oregon state line and its intersection with Interstate 5; south on Interstate 5 to Louie Road near Gazelle; west on Louie Road to Highway 99; south on Highway 99 to the Gazelle-Callahan Road at Gazelle; west on the Gazelle-Callahan Road to Highway 3; west on Highway 3 to the Cecilville-Salmon River Road (Forest Service Road 93) at Callahan; west on the Cecilville-Salmon River Road to Highway 96 at Somes Bar; north on Highway 96 to the Cook-Green Pass Road at Seiad Valley; north on the Cook-Green Pass Road to the California-Oregon state line; east along the California-Oregon state line to Interstate 5.

(B) Season: The seasons for the B Zone shall be those specified for the areas described as B-1, B-2, B-3, B-4, B-5 and B-6 (see subsections 360(a)(2)(B)1-6).

1. Zone B-1.

The season in Zone B-1 shall open on the third Saturday in September and extend for 37 consecutive days.

2. Zone B-2.

The season in Zone B-2 shall open on the third Saturday in September and extend for 37 consecutive days.

3. Zone B-3.

The season in Zone B-3 shall open on the third Saturday in September and extend for 37 consecutive days.

4. Zone B-4.

The season in Zone B-4 shall open on the fourth Saturday in August and extend for 37 consecutive days.

5. Zone B-5.

The season in Zone B-5 shall open on the third Saturday in September and extend for 37 consecutive days.

6. Zone B-6.

The season in Zone B-6 shall open on the third Saturday in September and extend for 30 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: 35,000. Zone B tags are valid in Zones B-1, B-2, B-3, B-4, B-5 and B-6

(3) Zone C.
(A) Area: Shall include all of Zones C-1, C-2, C-3, and C-4 (see subsections 360(a)(3)(A)1. through 4.).
1. Zone C-1.
In that portion of Siskiyou County within a line beginning at the California-Oregon state line and its intersection with Interstate 5; south on Interstate 5 to Highway 97 at Weed; north and east on Highway 97 to the intersection with the California-Oregon state line; west on the California-Oregon state line to the point of beginning.
2. Zone C-2.
In those portions of Shasta and Siskiyou counties within a line beginning at the junction of Interstate 5 and Highway 89 south of the town of Mt. Shasta; east and south on Highway 89 to the Pit River at Lake Britton; west and south along the Pit River to Interstate 5 at Shasta Lake; north on Interstate 5 to the point of beginning.
3. Zone C-3.
In that portion of Shasta County within a line beginning at the intersection of Cottonwood Creek and Interstate 5 at Cottonwood; north on Interstate 5 to the Pit River at Shasta Lake; east and north on the Pit River to Highway 89 at Lake Britton; south on Highway 89 to Highway 44 at Old Station; south and west on Highway 44 to the North Fork of Battle Creek; southwest on the North Fork of Battle Creek to Battle Creek; west on Battle Creek to the Sacramento River; north on the Sacramento River to the mouth of Cottonwood Creek; west on Cottonwood Creek to the point of beginning.
4. Zone C-4.
In those portions of Butte, Glenn, Lassen, Plumas, Shasta, and Tehama counties within a line beginning at the junction of Interstate 5 and Cottonwood Creek at Cottonwood; east on Cottonwood Creek to the Sacramento River; south on the Sacramento River to Battle Creek; east on Battle Creek to the North Fork of Battle Creek; northeast on the North Fork of Battle Creek to Highway 44; east on Highway 44 to Highway 89 at the north entrance of Lassen Volcanic National Park; north and east on Highway 89 and 44 to the junction of Highway 44 at Old Station; south and east on Highway 44 to Highway 36 west of Susanville; west on Highway 36 to Highway 147 near Westwood; south on Highway 147 to Highway 89; south on Highway 89 to Highway 70; southwest on Highway 70 to Highway 162 at Oroville; west on Highway 162 to Interstate 5; north on Interstate 5 to Cottonwood Creek to the point of beginning.
(B) Season: The seasons for the C Zone shall be those specified for the areas described as C-1, C-2, C-3, and C-4 (see subsections 360(a)(3)(B)1. through 4.).
1. Zone C-1.
The season in Zone C-1 shall open on the third Saturday in September and extend for 30 consecutive days.
2. Zone C-2.
The season in Zone C-2 shall open on the third Saturday in September and extend for 37 consecutive days.
3. Zone C-3.
The season in Zone C-3 shall open on the third Saturday in September and extend for 37 consecutive days.
4. Zone C-4.
The season in Zone C-4 shall open on the third Saturday in September and extend for 16 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.

(D) Number of Tags: 8,150. Zone C tags are valid in Zones C-1, C-2, C-3, and C-4 during the general season only as described above in subsections 360(a)(3)(B)1. through 4.
(4) Zone D-3-5.
(A) Area: Shall include all of zones D-3, D-4, and D-5 (see subsections 360(a)(4)(A)1. through 3.).
1. Zone D-3.
In those portions of Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sierra, Sutter and Yuba counties within a line beginning at the junction of Interstate 5 and Highway 162 at Willows; east on Highway 162 to Highway 70 at Oroville; northeast on Highway 70 to Highway 89; south on Highway 89 to the new Gold Lake Road (near Graeagle); south on the new Gold Lake Road to Highway 49 at Bassetts; east on Highway 49 to Yuba Pass; south on the Yuba Pass-Webber Lake Road (main haul road) through Bonta Saddle to the Jackson Meadows Highway (Fiberboard Road); west on the Jackson Meadows Highway for two miles to the White Rock Lake Road; south on the White Rock Lake Road to the new road to White Rock Lake (below Bear Valley); south and east on the new White Rock Lake Road to the Pacific Crest Trail (one mile west of White Rock Lake in section 21, T18N, R14E, M.D.B.M.); south and east on the Pacific Crest Trail to Interstate 80 near the Castle Peak-Boreal Ridge Summit; west on Interstate 80 to Highway 20; west on Highway 20 to the Bear River in Bear Valley; west along the Bear River to Highway 65 near Wheatland; north on Highway 65 to Highway 70; north on Highway 70 to Highway 20 in Marysville; west on Highway 20 to Interstate 5 at Williams; north on Interstate 5 to the point of beginning.
2. Zone D-4.
In those portions of Colusa, Nevada, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo and Yuba counties within a line beginning at the junction of Interstate 5 and Highway 20 at Williams; east on Highway 20 to Highway 70 in Marysville; south on Highway 70 to Highway 65; south on Highway 65 to the Bear River (south of Wheatland); east along the Bear River to Highway 20; east on Highway 20 to Interstate 80; east on Interstate 80 to the Pacific Crest Trail near the Castle Peak-Boreal Ridge Summit; south on the Pacific Crest Trail to Forest Route 03 at Barker Pass; east and north along Forest Route 03 to Blackwood Canyon Road; east along Blackwood Canyon Road to Highway 89 at Lake Tahoe near Idlewild; south on Highway 89 to Blackwood Creek; east on Blackwood Creek to the Lake Tahoe shoreline; south along the shore of Lake Tahoe to the mouth of Miller Creek and the common boundary between the Eldorado and Tahoe National Forests; west along Miller Creek to the Rubicon River; west along the Rubicon River through Hell Hole Reservoir to the Middle Fork of the American River; west along the Middle Fork of the American River to the American River; west along the American River to Interstate 5; north on Interstate 5 to the point of beginning.
3. Zone D-5.
In the counties of Amador and Calaveras and those portions of Alpine, El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Stanislaus and Tuolumne counties within a line beginning at the junction of Interstate 5 and the American River in Sacramento; east along the American River to the Middle Fork of the American River; northeast along the Middle Fork of the American River to the Rubicon River; east along the Rubicon River through Hell Hole Reservoir to its confluence with Miller Creek; east along Miller Creek to its junction with the new (marked) USFS Pacific Crest Trail; north on the Pacific Crest Trail one-quarter mile to a junction with the McKinney-Rubicon Springs Road (Miller Lake Road); east along the McKinney-Rubicon Springs Road to McKinney Creek (NE

1/4, section 23, T14N, R16E, M.D.B.M.); east along McKinney Creek to the west shoreline of Lake Tahoe near Chambers Lodge; south along the shore of Lake Tahoe to the California-Nevada state line; southeast along the California-Nevada state line to Highway 50; southwest on Highway 50 to the Pacific Crest Trail at Echo Summit; south along the Pacific Crest Trail to the township line between Townships 7 and 8 North near Wolf Creek Pass; due west on that township line to the road connecting Lower and Upper Highland Lakes at Lower Highland Lake; west along that road to Highland Creek; southwest along Highland Creek to the North Fork of the Stanislaus River; west along the North Fork of the Stanislaus River to the Stanislaus River; west along the Stanislaus River to Highway 99; north along Highway 99 to Interstate 80; west on Interstate 80 to Interstate 5; north on Interstate 5 to the point of beginning.
(B) Season: The season for zones for D-3 through D-5 shall open on the fourth Saturday in September and extend for 37 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (See subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.
(D) Number of Tags: 33,000. The Zone D-3-5 tag is valid in zones D-3, D-4, and D-5.
(5) Zone D-6.
(A) Area: In those portions of Alpine, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus and Tuolumne counties within a line beginning at the intersection of Highway 99 and the Stanislaus River at Ripon; east along the Stanislaus River and following the North Fork of the Stanislaus River to Highland Creek; east up Highland Creek to the road connecting Lower and Upper Highland Lakes at Upper Highland Lake; east along that road to the township line between Townships 7 and 8 North; east on that township line to the Sierra crest near Wolf Creek Pass; south along the Sierra crest to the Yosemite National Park boundary near Rodger Peak; along the eastern Yosemite National Park boundary to Highway 41; south along Highway 41 to the Madera-Mariposa county line south of Westfall Station; along the Madera-Mariposa and the Madera-Merced county lines to Highway 99; north along Highway 99 to the point of beginning.
(B) Season: The season in Zone D-6 shall open on the third Saturday in September and extend for 44 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (See subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.
(D) Number of Tags: 10,000.
(6) Zone D-7.
(A) Area: In those portions of Fresno, Madera, Mariposa and Tulare counties within a line beginning at the intersection of Highway 99 and the Madera-Merced county line; northeast along the Madera-Merced and Madera-Mariposa county lines to Highway 41 south of Westfall Station; north along Highway 41 to Yosemite National Park boundary; east along the park boundary to the Mono-Madera county line near Rodger Peak; south along the Inyo National Forest boundary (crest of the Ritter Range) to the junction of the Inyo National Forest boundary and Ashley Creek; east to Ashley Lake; northeast along Ashley Creek to the junction of King Creek; southeast along King Creek to its junction with the middle fork of the San Joaquin River; south and west along the middle fork of the San Joaquin River to the junction of the Inyo National Forest boundary; east along Fish Creek to its confluence with Deer Creek; north and east along Deer Creek to the upper crossing of the Deer Creek trail; north and east along the Deer Creek trail to the Inyo National Forest Boundary (the Sierra Crest); south along the Sierra crest and the Inyo National Forest boundary to Bishop Pass; west along the Dusy Basin Trail to the Middle Fork of the Kings River; southwest and downstream along the Middle Fork of the

Kings River to the junction of the Middle Fork and South Fork of the Kings River; southwest along the Kings River through Pine Flat Reservoir, Piedra and Reedley to Highway 99; north along Highway 99 to the point of beginning.
(B) Season: The season in Zone D-7 shall open on the third Saturday in September and extend for 44 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (See subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.
(D) Number of Tags: 9,000.
(7) Zone D-8.
(A) Area: In those portions of Fresno, Kern and Tulare counties within a line beginning at the intersection of Highway 99 and the Kings River; upstream and northeast along the Kings River through Reedley, Piedra and Pine Flat Reservoir to the junction of the Middle and South Forks of the Kings River; northeast along the Middle Fork Kings River to the Dusy Basin Trail; east along this trail to the Kings Canyon National Park boundary at Bishop Pass; south along the Kings Canyon and Sequoia National Park boundaries to the Main Kern River; southeast along the Main Kern River and the common boundary between the Inyo and Sequoia National Forests to the end of the Chimney Meadow-Blackrock Station Road (Forest Road 21S03) near Blackrock Mountain; southeast along the Chimney Meadow-Blackrock Station Road through Troy Meadows to the South Fork of the Kern River; south along the South Fork of the Kern River to the Doyle Ranch Road; south along the Doyle Ranch Road to Highway 178 in the town of Onyx; southwest along Highway 178 to Highway 99 at Bakersfield; north along Highway 99 to the point of beginning.
(B) Season: The season in Zone D-8 shall open on the fourth Saturday in September and extend for 30 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (See subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.
(D) Number of Tags: 8,000.
(8) Zone D-9.
(A) Area: In that portion of Kern County within a line beginning at the intersection of Highways 99 and 178; northeast along Highway 178 along Lake Isabella and through Walker Pass to Highway 14; southwest along Highway 14 to Highway 58; northwest along Highway 58 to Highway 99; north along Highway 99 to the point of beginning.
(B) Season: The season in Zone D-9 shall open on the fourth Saturday in September and extend for 30 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (See subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.
(D) Number of Tags: 2,000.
(9) Zone D-10.
(A) Area: In those portions of Kern and Los Angeles counties within a line beginning at the intersection of Highways 99 and 58; southeast along Highway 58 to Highway 14; south along Highway 14 to Highway 138; west along Highway 138 to Interstate 5; north on Interstate 5 to Highway 99; north on Highway 99 to the point of beginning.
(B) Season: The season in Zone D-10 shall open on the fourth Saturday in September and extend for 30 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (See subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.
(D) Number of Tags: 700.
(10) Zone D-11.

(A) Area: Those portions of Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties, within a line beginning at the intersection of Interstate 5 and Highway 138, south of Gorman; east on Highway 138 to Highway 14; south on Highway 14 to Palmdale and Highway 138; east on Highways 138 and 18 to Interstate 15; south on interstates 15 and 15E to Interstate 10; west on Interstate 10 to Interstate 405; north on Interstates 405 and 5 to the point of beginning.
(B) Season: The season in Zone D-11 shall open on the second Saturday in October and extend for 30 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (See subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.
(D) Number of Tags: 5,500.
(E) Special Conditions: Hunters that possess a D-11 deer tag may also hunt in zones D-13 and D-15 as described in subsections 360(a)(12)(A), (B) and (C), and subsections 360(a)(14)(A), (B) and (C).
(11) Zone D-12.
(A) Area: Those portions of Imperial, Riverside and San Bernardino counties within a line beginning at Highway 62 and the Twentynine Palms-Amboy Road in Twentynine Palms; east along Highway 62 to Highway 95 at Vidal Junction; north on Highway 95 to Interstate 40; east on Interstate 40 to the California-Arizona state line; south along this state line to the U.S.-Mexican border; west along the U.S.-Mexican border to Highway 111 in Calexico; north on Highway 111 to Interstate 10; north and west on Interstate 10 to Highway 62; north and east on Highway 62 to the point of beginning.
(B) Season: The season in Zone D-12 shall open on the first Saturday in November and extend for 23 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (See subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.
(D) Number of Tags: 950.
(12) Zone D-13.
(A) Area: In those portions of Kern, Los Angeles, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura counties within a line beginning at the intersection of Highways 99 and 166 at Mettler; south on Highway 99 and Interstate 5 to Highway 126; west on Highway 126 to the crossing of Sespe Creek; north and then west along Sespe Creek to Highway 33; north on Highway 33 to Highway 166; north and east on Highway 166 to the point of beginning.
(B) Season: The season in Zone D-13 shall open on the second Saturday in October and extend for 30 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (See subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.
(D) Number of Tags: 4,000.
(E) Special Conditions: Hunters that possess a D-13 deer tag may also hunt in zones D-11 and D-15 as described in subsections 360(a)(10)(A), (B) and (C), and subsections 360(a)(14)(A), (B) and (C).
(13) Zone D-14.
(A) Area: In those portions of Riverside and San Bernardino counties within a line beginning at the junction of Interstates 10 and 15E; northwest on Interstates 15E and 15 through Cajon Pass to Bear Valley Cutoff Road; east on Bear Valley Cutoff Road to Highway 18; east along Highway 18 to Highway 247; southeast on Highway 247 to Highway 62; southwest on Highway 62 to Interstate 10; west on Interstate 10 to the point of beginning.

(B) Seasons: The season in Zone D-14 shall open on the second Saturday in October and extend for 30 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (See subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.
(D) Number of Tags: 3,000.
(14) Zone D-15.
(A) Area: Including Santa Catalina Island, those portions of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and San Diego counties within a line beginning at the Pacific Ocean and Interstate 10 in Santa Monica; east on Interstate 10 to Highway 79 at Beaumont; south on Highway 79 to Hemet; south on County Road R-3 through Sage to Highway 79; west on Highway 79 to Interstate 15; south on Interstate 15 to Highway 76; west on Highway 76 to the Pacific Ocean; north along the shoreline to the point of beginning.
(B) Season: The season in Zone D-15 shall open on the second Saturday in October and extend for 30 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: one buck, forked horn (See subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.
(D) Number of Tags: 1,500.
(E) Special Conditions: Hunters that possess a D-15 deer tag may also hunt in zones D-11 and D-13 as described in subsections 360(a)(10)(A), (B) and (C), and subsections 360(a)(12)(A), (B) and (C).
(15) Zone D-16.
(A) Area: Those portions of Imperial, Riverside and San Diego counties within the line beginning at the Pacific Ocean and Highway 76; east on Highway 76 to Interstate 15; north on Interstate 15 to Highway 79; east on Highway 79 to the San Diego-Riverside county line; east along the San Diego-Riverside county line to the Anza-Borrego State Park boundary; south along the Anza-Borrego State Park boundary to Highway 78; east on Highway 78 to Highway 111; south on Highway 111 to the U.S.-Mexican border; west along the U.S.-Mexican border to the Pacific Ocean; north along the shoreline to the point of beginning.
(B) Season: The season in Zone D-16 shall open on the fourth Saturday in October and extend for 30 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (See subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.
(D) Number of Tags: 3,000.
(16) Zone D-17.
(A) Area: Those portions of Inyo, Kern, Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties within a line beginning at Highway 395 and the Kern-Inyo county line; east along the Kern-Inyo county line to the San Bernardino-Inyo county line; east along the San Bernardino-Inyo county line to Highway 127; north along Highway 127 to the California-Nevada state line; south along the California-Nevada state line to the California-Arizona state line; south along the California- Arizona state line to Interstate 40; Interstate 40 north to Needles; Highway 95 south to Highway 62; west on Highway 62 to Highway 247; northwest on Highway 247 to Highway 18; west on Highway 18 to Bear Valley Cutoff Road; west on Bear Valley Cutoff Road to Interstate 15; north on Interstate 15 to Highway 18; west on Highways 18 and 138 to Highway 14; north on Highways 14 and 395 to the point of beginning.
(B) Season: The season in Zone D-17 shall open on the second Saturday in October and extend for 23 consecutive days.

(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (See subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.
(D) Number of Tags: 500.
(17) Zone D-19.
(A) Area: Those portions of Imperial, Riverside and San Diego counties within a line beginning at the junction of Interstate 10 and Highway 79; south on Highway 79 to Hemet; south on County Road R-3 to Highway 79; south on Highway 79 to the Riverside-San Diego county line; east on the Riverside-San Diego county line to the Anza-Borrego State Park boundary; south on the Anza-Borrego State Park boundary to Highway 78; east on Highway 78 to Highway 111; north on Highway 111 to the junction of Interstate 10 in Indio; west on Interstate 10 to the point of beginning.
(B) Season: The season in D-19 shall open the first Saturday in October and extend for 30 consecutive days.
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.
(D) Number of Tags: 1,500.

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Note: Authority: Sections 200, 202, 203, 220, 460, 3452, 3453, 3953 and 4334, Fish and Game Code. Reference: Sections 200, 202, 203, 203.1, 207, 458, 459, 460, 3452, 3453, 3953 and 4334, Fish and Game Code.