

Committee Staff Summary for May 16, 2024 WRC

3. Periodic Regulation Changes**Today's Item****Information** ☒**Action** ☐

Initial vetting for 2025-26 seasons:

- (A) Upland (resident) game bird hunting
- (B) Mammal hunting

Summary of Previous/Future Actions

- **Today's initial vetting** **May 16, 2024; WRC**
- Discussion and potential recommendation **September 19, 2024**

Background

This item provides the public an opportunity to engage in initial discussions with the Wildlife Resources Committee (WRC), staff, and Department staff about proposed regulation changes for upland (resident) game bird hunting and mammal hunting seasons.

- (A) Upland (resident) game bird hunting (2025-26) for various resident upland game bird species, which includes California quail, pheasant, wild turkey, and mourning dove.
- (B) Mammal hunting (2025-26) for various big game mammals, including deer, Nelson bighorn sheep, pronghorn antelope, and elk.

This meeting is an initial opportunity for interested parties to make suggestions to the Department and WRC regarding potential regulation changes for each of the subjects. The second opportunity for discussing ideas with WRC will be its September 2024 meeting, where it will potentially make recommendations on both subjects, and before the respective notice hearings for each rulemaking.

Significant Public Comments (N/A)**Recommendation (N/A)****Exhibits**

1. Department presentation (to be provided separately)

Committee Direction/Recommendation (N/A)