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Please consider a boundary change in your plans to alter B zone and A zone in the future.

After years of seeing the current boundary as a problem in many various ways I would like to suggest that fish and game make Highway 20 become the north A zone boundary line, At least in the region west of Upper lake and east of Ukiah. If nothing else comes of this suggestion I would like to see Fish and game seriously consider using clearer boundaries in some of these regions and better management practices for these micro climates and the sub specie herds. Treating Deer that develop in higher altitudes that are heavily timbered as though they develop on the same timeline and cycle as deer in more temperate climates like grass lands, coastlands and southern CA is less than best management practice. There is a very definite climatic change that occurs east of highway 101 and north of highway 20 until upper lake that is profoundly different than the rest of A zones climate and It has a profound impact on the herd. F&G should consider breaking up some of the more unique regions of A zone, taking into account the multiple climate regions it traverses and the migratory patterns of the various sub species of dear near to the current north boundaries. This small region of A zone north should be included and managed very similarly to that of B1. It is profoundly different and the animals mirror B1, not any other part of A zone.

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